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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA FILED		
STATE OF OKLAHOMA, <i>ex rel.</i> , MIKE HUNTER, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA,	SUPREME COURT STATE OF OKLAHOMA MAY 2 4 2019	
Plaintiff,	JOHN D. HADDEN	
v.	CLERK	
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PURDUE PHARMA, L.P., PURDUE PHARMA, INC., and THE PURDUE FREDERICK COMPANY, INC.,	) ) )	
Defendants/Appellants,	)	
-and-	) )	
TEVA PHARMACEUTICALS USA, INC., CEPHALON, INC., JOHNSON & JOHNSON, JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., ORTHO-MCNEIL-JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS,	Sup. Ct. Case <b>11799</b> 4	
INC., n/k/a JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICA, INC., n/k/a JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., ALLERGAN, PLC, f/k/a	) Cleveland County ) Case No. CJ-2017-816 )	
ACTAVIS PLC, f/k/a ACTAVIS, INC., f/k/a WATSON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., WATSON LABORATORIES,	)	
INC., ACTAVIS LLC, and ACTAVIS PHARMA, INC., f/k/a WATSON PHARMA, INC.,	) STATE OF OKLAHOMA	
Defendants,	) CLEVELAND COUNTY <b>J</b> 5.5.	
	) FILED	
V.	) MAY 24 2019	
CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY, CITY OF LAWTON, CITY OF ENID, CITY OF MIDWEST CITY, AND CITY OF BROKEN ARROW,	) In the office of the ) Court Clerk MARILYN WILLIAMS	
Appellees/Real Parties in Interest.	) )	
PETITION IN ERROR		
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- CROSS PETITION
- COUNTER-PETITION

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DATE FIRST PETITION IN ERROR FILED:

# I. TRIAL COURT HISTORY

COURT/TRIBUNAL: COUNTY: CASE NO.: JUDGE: NATURE OF CASE: District Court Cleveland CJ-2017-816 Honorable Thad Balkman State action asserting that opioid manufacturers created a public nuisance through their marketing and sale of opioid medications

NAME OF PARTY OR PARTIES FILING THIS PETITION IN ERROR:

PURDUE PHARMA, L.P., PURDUE PHARMA, INC., and THE PURDUE FREDERICK COMPANY, INC.

## THE APPEAL IS BROUGHT FROM:

X\_\_\_\_\_ Judgment, Decree or Final order of District Court.

 Appeal from order granting summary judgment or motion to dismiss where motion filed after October 1, 1993 (Accelerated procedure under Rule 1.36).
 Appeal from Revocation of Driver's License (Rule 1.21(b)).

\_\_\_\_ Final Order of Other Tribunal.

 (Specify Corporation Commission, Insurance Department, Tax Commission, Court of Tax Review, Banking Board or Banking Commissioner, etc. \_\_\_\_\_\_)
 Interlocutory Order Appealable by Right. Other

## II. TIMELINESS OF APPEAL

- 1. Date judgment, decree or order appealed was filed: April 25, 2019
- 2. If decision was taken under advisement, date judgment, decree or order was mailed to parties:
- 3. Does the judgment or order on appeal dispose of *all* claims by and against *all* parties? Yes X No

If not, did district court direct entry of judgment in accordance with 12 O.S. 2001, § 994. \_\_\_\_ Yes X\_No

When was this done?

- 4. If the judgment or order is not a final disposition, is it appealable because it is an Interlocutory Order Appealable by Right? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_X\_\_No
- 5. If none of the above applies, what is the *specific* statutory basis for determining the judgment or order is appealable? Post-judgment final order. 12 O.S. §953; *Central Plastics Co. v. Barton Indus., Inc.*, 1991 OK 103, 818 P.2d 900. The Consent Judgment

it purports to clarify/modify contains the functional equivalent of a 12 O.S. §994(A) certification (¶10.7).

- 6.
   Were any post-trial motions filed? NA

   <u>Type</u>
   <u>Date Filed</u>

   <u>Date Disposed</u>
- This Petition is filed by:
   <u>X</u> Delivery to Clerk, or
   Mailing to Clerk by U.S. Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested on (date)

## III. RELATED OR PRIOR APPEALS

List all prior appeals involving same parties or same trial court proceeding:

Sup. Ct. Case No. 117,831 (original action, jurisdiction declined).

Concurrently filed appeal herein (case number not yet known) for Appellants against Comanche County.

List all related appeals involving same issues:

Concurrently filed appeal herein (case number not yet known) for Appellants against Comanche County.

## IV. SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

Is appellant willing to participate in an attempted settlement of the appeal by predecisional conference under Rule 1.250? \_\_\_\_Yes \_\_X\_No

### V. RECORD ON APPEAL

- <u>X</u> A Transcript will be ordered.
- \_\_\_\_\_ No Transcript will be ordered because no record was made and/or no transcript will be necessary for this appeal.
- A Narrative Statement will be filed regarding the Closing Argument portion of the jury trial, which was not transcribed or reported.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Record is concurrently filed as required by Rule 1.34 (Driver's License Appeals, etc.) or Rule 1.36 (Summary judgments and motions to dismiss granted)

## VI. JUDGMENT, DECREE OR ORDER APPEALED - EXHIBIT "A"

A certified copy of the Order Regarding Consent Judgment as to The Purdue Defendants and Denying City of Oklahoma City's, City of Lawton's, City of Enid's, City of Midwest City's and City of Broken Arrow's Amended Joint Motion to Intervene as Moot, filed April 25, 2019, is attached as Exhibit A.

## VII. SUMMARY OF CASE – EXHIBIT "B"

A brief summary of the case is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

## VIII. ISSUES RAISED ON APPEAL - EXHIBIT "C"

The issues proposed to be raised on appeal are attached hereto as Exhibit C.

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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Petition in Error was mailed this 24th day of May, 2019, by depositing it in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to:

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I further certify that a copy of the Petition in Error was mailed to or filed in the Office of the Court Clerk of the District Court of Cleveland County on the 24th day of May, 2019:

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# IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CLEVELAND COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel., MIKE HUNTER,	)
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA,	) )
Plaintiff,	)
VS.	) Case No.: CJ-2017-816 ) Judge Thad Balkman
(1) PURDUE PHARMA L.P.;	)
(2) PURDUE PHARMA, INC.;	)
(3) THE PURDUE FREDERICK COMPANY;	)
(4) TEVA PHARMACEUTICALS USA, INC.;	)
(5) CEPHALON, INC.;	)
(6) JOHNSON & JOHNSON;	)
(7) JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC:	)
(8) ORTHO-McNEIL-JANSSEN	)
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., n/k/a	)
JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS	)
(9) JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICA, INC.,	)
n/k/a JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.;	) STATE OF OIG MINUT
(10) ALLERGAN, PLC, f/k/a ACTAVIS PLC,	) STATE OF OKLAHOMA S.S. ) CLEVELAND COUNTY
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PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.;	)
(11) WATSON LABORATORIES, INC.;	) APR 2 5 2019
(12) ACTAVIS LLC; and	) in the street
(13) ACTAVIS PHARMA, INC.,	) In the office of the
f/k/a WATSON PHARMA, INC.,	) Court Clerk MARILYN WILLIAMS
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Defendants.

# ORDER REGARDING CONSENT JUDGMENT AS TO THE PURDUE DEFENDANTS AND DENYING CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY'S, CITY OF LAWTON'S, CITY OF ENID'S, CITY OF MIDWEST CITY'S AND CITY OF BROKEN ARROW'S <u>AMENDED JOINT MOTION TO INTERVENE AS MOOT</u>

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This matter comes before the Court upon the "City of Oklahoma City's, City of

Lawton's, City of Enid's, City of Midwest City's and City of Broken Arrow's Amended Joint

Motion to Intervene" filed April 2, 2019<sup>1</sup> ("Oklahoma City Motion to Intervene"). Upon

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The cities of Enid, Lawton, Midwest City and Oklahoma City filed an initial "Joint Motion to Intervene" on April 1, 2019.

review of the Oklahoma City Motion to Intervene and the responses in opposition filed by (a) Plaintiff, State of Oklahoma, ex rel., Mike Hunter, Attorney General of Oklahoma, on April 17, 2019 ("Plaintiff State Response"), and (b) the Defendants, Purdue Pharma, L.P., Purdue Pharma Inc., and The Purdue Frederick Company Inc., on April 18, 2019 ("Purdue Defendants Response"), and pursuant to Rule 4(h) of the Rules for the District Courts of Oklahoma, the Court finds and holds as follows:<sup>2</sup>

1. The cities of Broken Arrow, Enid, Lawton, Midwest City and Oklahoma City, whether individually or collectively (the "Putative Intervenors"), are not parties to, bound by, or otherwise subject to the terms of the "Consent Judgment as to the Purdue Defendants" entered by this Court on March 26, 2019.

2. A Putative Intervenor – or any other Oklahoma political subdivision – is not a party to, bound by, or otherwise subject to the terms of the March 26, 2019, Consent Judgment unless it elects, for itself, to opt-in to the March 26, 2019, Consent Judgment pursuant to the terms prescribed by the March 26, 2019, Consent Judgment.<sup>3</sup> The Oklahoma City Motion to Intervene is denied as moot.

 $<sup>^2\,</sup>$  The Court would note that no other named Defendants filed a response to the Oklahoma City Motion to Intervene.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Court would note that neither the Plaintiff State Response nor the Purdue Defendants Response advocates for a contrary reading of the March 26, 2019, Consent Judgment.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 25th day of April, 2019

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THAD BALKMAN, District Judge

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing instrument was emailed to the following:

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# **EXHIBIT "B" -- SUMMARY OF THE CASE**

This action was brought by the State of Oklahoma (the "State") against thirteen pharmaceutical companies, including the Appellants ("Purdue"), alleging that these manufacturers fraudulently marketed their opioid medications in Oklahoma. According to the State, this marketing led to widespread opioid abuse which, in turn, caused the State to incur a broad array of damages, including healthcare expenses and law enforcement and criminal justice expenses, inter alia. The State also sought broad injunctive and equitable relief to ameliorate alleged harm throughout the state. On March 26, 2019, Purdue and the State entered into a Settlement Agreement, and the district court entered a detailed Consent Judgment dismissing Purdue from this case with prejudice. The claims against the remaining manufacturers are proceeding to trial. On April 1, 2019, nonparties City of Oklahoma City, City of Lawton, City of Enid, City of Midwest City, and City of Broken Arrow ("Nonparty Cities") filed a joint motion to intervene (as amended on April 2, 2019), in the case in order to either "clarify" or "modify" the Consent Judgment. Both the Appellants and the State filed separate responses objecting to the intervention by the Nonparty Cities. The only issue before the district court on the Nonparty Cities' motion to intervene was procedural in nature -- whether to permit the movants to intervene in the case in order to address the scope of the Consent Judgment. Accordingly, neither the State nor Purdue briefed or argued the substance of the scope of the Consent Judgment because this issue was not before the trial court. Nevertheless, on April 25, 2019, the district court entered an order purporting to clarify the March 26, 2019 Consent Judgment-i.e., determining the Nonparty Cities' underlying claim on which they sought to intervene----and denied the motion to intervene as "moot." Appellants appeal the substantive disposition of the Nonparty Cities' motion to intervene as beyond the trial court's authority, procedurally improper under 12 O.S. §2024, and a denial of procedural due process.

# EXHIBIT "C" -- ISSUES TO BE RAISED ON APPEAL

- 1. Whether the lower court erred as a matter of law and exercised unauthorized jurisdiction where:
  - a. Appellants/Defendants ("Purdue") and the State entered a Settlement Agreement under which the lower court entered a Consent Judgment dismissing the State's claims against Purdue with prejudice;
  - b. Nonparty Appellees ("Nonparty Cities") filed a procedural motion to intervene to allow them to assert a claim to clarify or modify the Consent Judgment's terms;
  - c. The only issue before the trial court was whether the Nonparty Cities' Motion to Intervene should be granted, and both the State and Purdue opposed the Motion to Intervene; and
  - d. The trial court instead reached and determined the substantive underlying issue on which the Nonparty Cities sought to intervene and denied the motion to intervene as "moot."
- 2. Whether the lower court erred in determining that each Nonparty City----"or any other Oklahoma political subdivision---is not a party to, bound by, or otherwise subject to the terms of" the Consent Judgment "unless it elects, for itself, to opt-in to" the Consent Judgment, where the plain language of the Consent Judgment and applicable law demonstrates that the "Releasors" include "the State and the Attorney General and/or any political subdivision of the State on whose behalf the Attorney General possesses, or obtains, the authority to bind."