

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division

IN RE: LUMBER LIQUIDATORS)
CHINESE-MANUFACTURED FLOORING)
PRODUCTS MARKETING, SALES)
PRACTICES AND PRODUCTS LIABILITY)
LITIGATION)
_____)

MDL No. 1:15-md-2627 (AJT/TRJ)

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ORDER

The Court has received and reviewed Lead Counsel’s positions on settlement as stated in their *ex parte* submissions pursuant to the Court’s Pretrial Order No. 6 [Doc. No. 559], and the discussions with Lead Counsel on October 5, 2015, and concludes that the early involvement of an appropriate, neutral third-party mediator would be useful in facilitating the parties’ settlement discussions and promoting whatever opportunities may exist for a global or partial settlement. For these reasons, Co-Lead Counsel are directed to consult with each other and, if possible, submit to the Court on or before October 29, 2015 the names of no more than three individuals acceptable to all Lead Counsel as a third-party mediator, together with information concerning their background and experience. If all Lead Counsel cannot agree on any such individuals, Lead Counsel for each side are directed to submit separately the names of up to three individuals who would be acceptable to them.

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Order to all counsel of record.



Anthony J. Trenga
United States District Judge

Alexandria, Virginia
October 6, 2015