

Johnson & Johnson Statement On Plotkin Verdict

October 15, 2024 - Attributable to Erik Haas, Worldwide Vice President of Litigation, Johnson & Johnson:

“We will immediately appeal the erroneous rulings by the trial judge that prevented us from sharing critical facts with the jury that demonstrate the plaintiff’s exceedingly rare form of mesothelioma was not caused by talcum powder. Those facts show that the verdict is irreconcilable with the decades of independent scientific evaluations confirming talc is safe, does not contain asbestos and does not cause cancer.

As we have steadfastly maintained, this litigation is the result of paid for science fomented and financed by plaintiffs firms. This junk science has resulted in widespread misinformation, fostered unfounded fear, and distracted attention and resources from the critical work needed to better understand genetics and the other causes of spontaneous cancer, and the development of interventions to improve survival rates.”

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