

# Collapse of Fort McClellan Radio Tower Brings Wrongful Death Suit

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On July 22, 37-year-old Barry Sloan and 41-year-old Jonce Hubble were working on a radio tower in Fort McClellan near Anniston, Alabama. A commercial truck hit one of the tower's guy wires, causing the tower to collapse. Sloan and Hubble each fell 40 feet, and Sloan was killed instantly.

After the fatal accident, the family of Barry Sloan has filed a [wrongful death](#) lawsuit in east Alabama against the driver of the truck and its owner. The truck was owned by Barnhart Crane and Rigging Company, Incorporated.

According to a statement by Calhoun County Coroner Pat Brown, Sloan was pronounced dead at the scene. Hubble was transported to University of Alabama at Birmingham Hospital immediately after the truck accident, but he died later that night in surgery.

Anniston police and the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration are both investigating the construction accident. No results of either investigation are yet available, and it is not clear how long the investigations will take.

Sloan and Hubble were both from Albertville, but Sloan was returned his family and buried in Amory, Mississippi. No information was available about whether Hubble's family will also file a wrongful death suit in relation to the tragedy.

Related Resources:

- ["Family files wrongful death suit in radio tower fatality"](#) (WVTM NBC 13, Birmingham, July 29, 2010)
- ["ANNISTON, ALABAMA: 2 men die in tower collapse"](#) (WVTM NBC 13, Birmingham, July 23, 2010)