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## Trains and Railroad Workers at Risk from Asbestos Exposure

Railroad employees who worked onboard trains or in a railyard may be at an increased risk of developing <u>mesothelioma</u> or other diseases caused by asbestos exposure. Research has found that railroad workers are significantly more likely to be diagnosed with an asbestos-related disease than the general population.

One of the most dangerous jobs performed by railroad employees was changing the asbestos brake shoes used on trains. Other workers—including boiler and engine room workers, locomotive engineers, laggers, brake operators and conductors—may also have been exposed to <u>asbestos</u> as a result of the parts and other materials found onboard trains.

<u>Asbestos-containing materials</u> can be found in many locations onboard steam locomotives and diesel locomotives—including engine rooms, box cars, boiler rooms, cabooses and refrigeration units. Roundhouses, railroad repair shops and railroad yard offices may also contain asbestos insulation and other materials that could jeopardize the health of railroad employees who worked at these locations.

Railroad workers who have been diagnosed with an asbestos-related disease may be eligible to file a lawsuit under the Federal Employees Liability Act (FELA). FELA lawsuits allow railroad employees to recover damages for injuries that occur in the workplace, including <u>mesothelioma cancer</u> and other diseases.

If you or a loved one worked in the railroad industry and have been diagnosed with mesothelioma or other asbestos diseases, you may be eligible to file a lawsuit. For a free legal consultation, contact the <u>lawyers</u> at Hissey Kientz, LLP by calling toll-free at 1-866-275-4454, or by filling out the free case evaluation form located on this page.