

## Peoria Asbestos Legal Question

### **Can I file an asbestos lawsuit if I've been exposed but don't have any symptoms?**

Yes, you can file an asbestos lawsuit even without current health issues. Asbestos-related diseases like mesothelioma or asbestosis can take decades to develop after exposure. Filing a lawsuit now allows you to recover compensation for medical monitoring and peace of mind that funds will be available if you do get sick in the future. Your attorney can help determine if you qualify for an asbestos trust fund claim or lawsuit.

### **What kinds of compensation can I receive from an asbestos lawsuit?**

There are typically two primary categories of compensation available in legal cases: economic damages and non-economic damages. Economic damages refer to the actual costs of medical care, lost wages, and other financial losses. Non-economic damages are intended to provide compensation for pain and suffering. You may also be able to recover punitive damages to punish the companies responsible for your exposure. The compensation you may receive is contingent upon the unique details of your case.

### **Do I need an attorney to file an asbestos claim?**

While it's possible to file an asbestos trust fund claim on your own, it is highly recommended that you work with an experienced asbestos litigation attorney. They can properly investigate where and how you were exposed, determine which companies are liable, and handle the complex legal paperwork. Asbestos lawsuits can also be difficult to win without legal counsel. Attorneys work on contingency, so they only get paid if you win your case.

### **How long do I have to file an asbestos lawsuit?**

Each state has its own statute of limitations on asbestos lawsuits. In Illinois, the deadline is 2 years from the date of diagnosis of an asbestos-related disease. However, there are exceptions for certain circumstances. An attorney can evaluate the details of your case to determine if you still qualify to file a lawsuit. It's best to speak to a lawyer as soon as possible to understand your options and preserve your right to compensation.