

Asbestos, Lung Cancer and Mesothelioma Lawyers in New Jersey and New York

Results achieved in prior matters are not meant to be a guarantee of success as the facts and legal circumstances vary from matter to matter.

Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. attorneys have been handling asbestos cases in New Jersey and New York for over 40 years. We were among the first firms in New Jersey, New York, and the nation to take on the asbestos industry and seek justice for asbestos victims. In New York, Wilentz served as co-lead trial counsel in the first New York Consolidated Brooklyn Navy Yard Asbestos Trial in 1990, and in the first New York Powerhouse Consolidation in 1993, recovering \$17.9 million and \$110 million, respectively. Since then, we remain at the forefront of the fight for just compensation for the victims of asbestos-related diseases. Our decades of dedication to this cause has allowed us to gain unparalleled experience, knowledge, data, evidence and other resources, all of which we bring to every matter we handle, both through litigation in state and federal courts, and through the asbestos bankruptcy settlement trusts.

Even though Wilentz handles nationwide claims related to asbestos and mesothelioma compensation, we are a local firm with deep roots in our community. We have extensive knowledge of New Jersey's and New York's industrial history and significant databases of local sources of asbestos exposure. Our client-centered team treats every asbestos victim individually. We understand that each case is first and foremost about a person and his or her family and their needs, not just about a news-making verdict that may remain in the court system, tied up in appeals, for years beyond.

Asbestos in New Jersey

Wilentz has been in New Jersey for over 100 years, and we are intimately familiar with New Jersey's history, its industrial and commercial landscape, and its residents. In the 20th century, New Jersey's role as an industrial powerhouse came with a dark side in the form of widespread manufacture and use of asbestos and asbestos-containing products.

Asbestos products were popular in industry, transportation, as well as commercial and residential construction. Asbestos was touted as ideal for a vast range of applications because of its qualities: it is heat resistant, performs well as an insulator, does not corrode, and is resistant to chemicals. Unfortunately, it was also included in many products just as a filler or binder. For this reason, asbestos products can be found in structures built in or before the 1970's.

New Jersey has a heavy concentration of occupational settings that use asbestos extensively, including shipyards and military bases, pharmaceutical manufacturers, refineries, industrial product manufacturers, and construction sites. As a result, hundreds of thousands of workers and military personnel – and their families – were exposed to dangerous levels of asbestos. [Read about mesothelioma and asbestos illnesses here.](#)

Occupations with a High Likelihood of Asbestos Exposure

The following occupations have a high likelihood of asbestos exposure and the appearance of mesothelioma and other asbestos diseases:

- Shipyard workers and veterans

- Industrial workers
- Utility workers
- Workers in the construction and building trades
- Refinery, foundry, and steel workers
- Maintenance workers
- Chemical, pharmaceutical, cosmetic, food and beverage workers

Some of our attorneys have family affected by asbestos products. We understand the devastation that mesothelioma and other asbestos-related diseases cause not only to the patient, but to his or her family as well, and we strive to make the legal process as least disruptive as possible. We make home visits, and we are always mindful of a patient's medical care schedule.

Because we have been handling asbestos-related matters for decades and we are concentrated on New Jersey and New York, we have extensive familiarity with local resources including the variety of world-class medical care available to patients with asbestos-related illnesses. We also maintain extensive databases of information and documentation about asbestos manufacturers, users, and locations in New Jersey and New York.

If you or a loved one have been exposed to asbestos and have experienced any of these symptoms or illnesses, you could be eligible to file a claim. Schedule a free consultation or speak with a Wilentz attorney today.

To speak with an attorney about your legal options, please call: 732-493-1000.