

Compensation for Sufferers of Asbestos Related Pleural Plaques?

Hope has emerged for thousands of workers who have asbestos related pleural plaques. It has been reported that Government Ministers are attempting to negotiate a deal whereby insurers will pay up to £5000 to people with asbestos related pleural plaques.

Pleural plaques do not usually cause symptoms but are a scarring of the lung caused by asbestos exposure. Those with pleural plaques will often be anxious about developing more serious asbestos related conditions such as mesothelioma, lung cancer or asbestosis.

The Prime Minister Gordon Brown said last week:

"On Pleural Plaques we are looking at the matter at this very moment....We are determined to take some action."

Paul Glanville a Solicitor who specialises in asbestos related claims said:

"I very much hope that the Government acts speedily and decisively so that all asbestos sufferers may receive the compensation they are entitled to."

[John Pickering and Partners LLP](#) is a specialist legal practice that has represented Claimants in the leading asbestos "test cases" in the last ten years. The firm represented Sylvia Barker in *Barker v Corus (UK) Plc*, a case that highlighted the legal tactics of employers and insurers trying to cut back their compensation liabilities to mesothelioma sufferers, and which prompted the amendment of the Compensation Act 2006 to ensure full compensation for mesothelioma claims. The firm represented two of the three Claimants in the *Fairchild appeal*, in which the insurance industry tried unsuccessfully to block compensation altogether for mesothelioma sufferers unable to identify which of two or more sources of asbestos exposure had caused their illness.

If you need advice about an asbestos related illness, [contact us](#) now for information about making a claim for compensation.

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