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## Asbestosis And The Legal Implications

By Lucy Bartlett

A chronic medical condition, which affects the tissue of the lungs, is known as asbestosis. Mine

workers and several other professionals suffers from this disease, which occurs due to heavy exposure to asbestos over a long period. Shortness of breath is the most common complaint from those affected by asbestosis and ultimately they end with various types of cancer of the lung.

During the early part of this century, the link between cancer, exposure to asbestos and asbestosis was established and the governments enforced strict safety measures. In 1929, asbestos manufacturers faced the first lawsuit. Afterwards there was a deluge of lawsuits against employers and manufacturing for neglecting the safety regulations.

According to various allegations, training and information regarding detection, removal, diseases, dangers and other issues connected with asbestos are not provided to managers and employers. To implement the wide range of regulations properly, managers and employers are pleading for relevant information and training.

>From the sheer magnitude of lawsuits and complaints by people suffering from asbestosis, the liability reached billions of dollars. Many court cases fought over the issue of method and amount of compensation and their allocation. In June 1982, James Cavett, a retired boilermaker was awarded a record compensation of 2.3 million US dollars as compensation and 1.5 million US dollars as punitive damages.

In the history of the United States, one of the most expensive and longest mass torts is asbestos litigation. Currently there are 600000 claimants and 6000 defendants connected with asbestos litigation. According to the current trends, there will be a sizeable increase in the number of people being diagnosed with asbestosis during the next decade.

There was a heavy toll on industry and insurance due to the litigation connected with asbestosis and asbestos. Unfortunately, to obtain a just compensation against the employers and manufacturers of asbestos, litigation is the only recourse.

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By employing a lawyer experienced in mesothelioma and asbestosis, substantial compensation can be obtained by individuals exposed to asbestos and subsequently suffering from asbestos related diseases.

In the United States, mesothelioma is known to be caused only by exposure to asbestos and by proving the exposure, which subsequently led to the disease, legal compensation can be easily won. At the same time, it should be noted that the asbestos industry fights these cases by engaging some of the best legal brain available. They not only try to deny compensation but also drag and delay the process of justice to the asbestosis victims.

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## **Advice On Owning A Property Abroad**

### **By HolidayHomeNow**

Owning a property abroad comes with legal and financial responsibilities. Just as the ownership of your UK property comes with responsibilities attached, so does your new property abroad. As a home owner in a foreign country, you need to make sure that you are abiding by all the relevant legislation.

#### Tax

Tax issues can be complicated for people owning a home in the UK and a property abroad. Tax will be levied on you in both countries, and you will have to check that you are not being taxed twice for the same thing. For example, any rental income you earn will be taxed in the UK, and whilst this might not be much, you will have to watch that your income from your property abroad doesn't push you into the higher tax band. In addition, check that you're not also getting taxed on this income by the country where you bought your property. Many countries have a double-tax agreement with the UK, which means that you only pay the tax in one country. Check whether this applies to your property abroad, and speak to our tax expert if you have any other questions or concerns.

#### Legal

There will be some legal responsibilities that come with ownership of a property abroad. For example, what arrangements have you made for the sale of the property in your will? The legal implications of

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selling the property or registering new owners after your death may be costly. You should check this out when you are buying your property abroad, and make sure that your will is updated accordingly. In addition, there may be local legal requirements of you as a property owner and you should check these with your estate agent or solicitor to make sure that you're always on the right side of the law.

### Tenants

If you are renting your property abroad, you have a responsibility for the safety and welfare of your tenants. Your property must be in good order, and fixtures and fittings should be checked and inspected regularly to ensure that there is no danger to people staying in your home. This is not only good landlord practice, but it ensures that you comply with local tenancy regulations and that you avoid costly litigation should anything go wrong.

Owning a property abroad is a fantastic experience, but it's one that comes with its own responsibilities. Take them seriously and you will be able to enjoy many years in your new home.

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