Crown Cork & Seal, others accused of exposing man to asbestos (/stories/511309433-crown-cork-seal-others-accused-ofexposing-man-to-asbestos)

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ST. LOUIS — A man is suing Crown Cork & Seal Co. Inc., J.P. Bushnell Packing Supply Co., and Welco Manufacturing Co., makers of asbestos products, alleging insufficient measures were taken to prevent injuries.

Walter Shickles filed a complaint on Dec. 28 in the St. Louis 22nd Judicial Circuit Court against the defendants alleging that they failed to exercise reasonable care and caution for the safety of others.

According to the complaint, the plaintiff alleges that at various times during his work from 1961 to 2010, he was exposed to and inhaled or ingested asbestos fibers emanating from certain products manufactured, sold, distributed or installed by the defendants. On May 23, 2011, he first became aware that he had developed lung cancer. The disease allegedly was caused by his asbestos exposure.

The plaintiff holds the defendants responsible because they allegedly negligently included asbestos fibers in their products when adequate substitutes were available, and failed to provide adequate warnings and instructions concerning the dangers of working with or around products containing asbestos fibers.

The plaintiff requests a trial by jury; and seeks actual and compensatory damages of not less than \$25,000, punitive damages, and such other relief that are just and equitable. He is represented by Napoli Shkolnik PLLC.

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