

Mesothelioma Lawsuit Toolkit (Louisiana)

A printable checklist for evidence, records, and next steps

Quick Start: What To Do First

- Get a copy of the diagnosis records (pathology report, biopsy results, and imaging summaries).
- Write a simple exposure timeline: employers, job titles, worksites, and years (even approximate).
- List the products/materials you remember (brands, insulation, gaskets, pipe covering, brake work, etc.).
- Start a symptom and function log to show how the disease affects daily life.
- Avoid signing broad releases or giving recorded statements until you understand what is being requested.

Evidence Buckets That Often Matter

- Medical proof: pathology, imaging discs, oncology notes, and treatment plan documents.
- Exposure proof: work history, jobsite records, product identification, and witness memory.
- Damages proof: wage history, out-of-pocket costs, and day-to-day limitations (documented over time).

Records Request Table

Ask For	Why It Helps
Pathology report + slides location	Confirms diagnosis and supports causation analysis.
Imaging discs (CT/PET/X-ray)	Shows progression; defense often focuses on gaps.
Social Security earnings record	Builds a work timeline when paper files are gone.
Union, payroll, or HR records	Links you to specific worksites and contractors.
Names of co-workers/supervisors	Supports product ID and job task details.

This toolkit is general information. Deadlines and the right strategy depend on specific facts, including where exposures happened and which companies are involved.

Infographic 1: Evidence Blueprint

Five steps to organize proof + a first 30 days checklist

**Mesothelioma Lawsuit
Evidence Blueprint**
5 Steps + First 30 Days Checklist
Tap sections to jump in the article

- 1 Build Exposure Timeline**
List worksites, years, and job tasks
- 2 Secure Medical Proof**
Get pathology + biopsy and imaging discs
- 3 Capture Work and Product ID**
Write down brands, materials, and tools
- 4 Preserve Witnesses and Records**
Interview co-workers before memories fade
- 5 Avoid Claim Traps Early**
Do not sign releases until counsel reviews

First 30 Days Checklist

- ✓ Ask providers to note exposure history
- ✓ Save old pay stubs and union info
- ✓ Order Social Security earnings record
- ✓ Photograph old tools or materials at home
- ✓ List co-workers to call if needed
- ✓ Start a symptom log for daily function

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Infographic 2: Defense vs Evidence

Common defense angles and the records that answer them

Defense vs Evidence How Mesothelioma Cases Get Challenged Use this grid in the Defense Audit section	
Defense Angle	Evidence Anchor
No asbestos exposure shown	Work history + site list Co-worker notes
Wrong product or jobsite	Invoices + logs Union / payroll Product photos
Other cause blame shift	Treating doctor causation notes Risk factors list
Imaging normal no diagnosis	Pathology report Biopsy details Specialist review
Too late to file / fault	Deadline calendar early records pull avoid releases
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Free Case Review Checklist

What to bring, what to ask, and what happens next

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Helpful Items (Do Not Delay If Missing)

- Diagnosis documents and where testing was done (pathology, imaging, biopsy).
- A rough work history list (employers, job titles, years, and worksites).
- Any union, payroll, or Social Security records you already have.
- Names of co-workers or family members who can confirm job tasks and materials.
- Any letters, emails, or calls from insurers or defense lawyers.

What Happens Next

- We triage the medical and exposure evidence and identify urgent records to preserve.
- We spot deadlines early and map the claim path based on your exposure timeline.
- We handle communications so pressure does not push you into a bad record.

This toolkit is general information and is not legal advice. Outcomes depend on the facts and the law that applies to your situation.