

## Why are lawsuits being filed against the manufacturer of Zoloft?

In 2006, the Food and Drug Administration warned that using <u>Zoloft during pregnancy</u> could increase a child's risk of the serious heart defect persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn (PPHN). Studies have also found that Zoloft may increase the risk of other birth defects, including septal defects and ventricular outflow tract defects.

#### Did Pfizer know that Zoloft could cause birth defects?

Lawsuits filed against Pfizer by parents whose children were born with birth defects have alleged that the company knew about the link between **Zoloft and birth defects**, but failed to properly warn the public about this risk.

### How many Zoloft lawsuits have been filed so far?

Dozens of families have filed <u>lawsuits against Zoloft</u>'s manufacturer, Pfizer, alleging that their child was born with birth defects as a result of exposure to Zoloft while pregnant.

## Have any class action lawsuits been filed regarding Zoloft?

Although we are unaware of any Zoloft class action lawsuits being filed as of March 2012, Zoloft users whose children suffer from birth defects may still be eligible to file an individual lawsuit on their child's behalf.

# Have any of the lawsuits against Zoloft resulted in settlements?

Although the lawsuits filed against Pfizer regarding Zoloft are still pending, legal experts are hopeful that Zoloft settlements will soon be reached for the families whose children were born with heart defects or other birth defects after taking this drug.

#### Am I eligible to file a lawsuit against Zoloft?

If you or a loved one used Zoloft during pregnancy and gave birth to a child with congenital heart defects or other birth defects, you may qualify to file a lawsuit. For a free legal consultation about your case, contact the lawyers at Hissey Kientz, LLP by calling toll-free at 1-866-275-4454, or by filling out the free case evaluation form located on this page.