

Table Saw Lawsuits Allege Injuries Caused by Lack of Adequate Safety Equipment

Thousands of Americans are hospitalized or injured every year as a result of table saw accidents. Yet despite the existence of safety technology that could prevent many of these injuries, the table saw industry has refused to make them a standard component of table saws sold in the U.S. Hundreds of table saw lawsuits have been filed by consumers who were injured by these products.

The annual number of amputations, lacerations, and other serious injuries caused by table saws each year is staggering. According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (USPSC), <u>table saw accidents</u> are responsible for about 30,000 injuries each year, including more than 4,000 cases involving the amputation of a finger.

Ten years ago, a revolutionary safety device called <u>SawStop</u> was released which promised to save thousands of tool users from injury each year. Saw Stop works by sensing changes in electrical conductivity that occur when human skin comes into contact with a spinning saw blade. The device reacts to these changes instantaneously, stopping the saw's blade before it can cause more than a small nick.

The manufacturers of SawStop estimate that the device has prevented about 2,000 finger amputations since it was released in 2002. This number could be even higher were it not for the fact that many <u>table saw manufactures</u>—including Sears, Black and Decker, Bosch, Craftsman, Delta, DeWalt, and Ryobi—have refused to include SawStop with the machines that they sell to consumers, despite the 300,000 table saw injuries that have taken place in the last 10 years.

Many individuals who were the victim of a finger amputation or other serious injuries have filed lawsuits against table saw manufactures for failing add safety products to saws that are sold to the public. These <u>table saw lawsuits</u> have accused the industry of putting profits above the safety of its customers, causing thousands of unnecessary injuries to saw users each year.

If you or a loved one suffered an amputation, laceration, or other injuries that resulted in hospitalization that were caused by a table saw, you may be eligible to file a case. For a free legal consultation and to find out more about filing a lawsuit, contact the lawyers at Heygood, Orr & Pearson by calling toll-free at 1-877-446-9001, by email at **info@hop-law.com**, or by visiting us online at http://www.hop-law.com/table-saw-injuries/.