

# Death of Osama bin Laden Highlights Importance of the Zadroga Act, New York Personal Injury Lawyer Says

NEW YORK, NEW YORK – After the death of Osama bin Laden Sunday night, [New York personal injury lawyer](#) David Perelman reaffirmed his commitment to help the heroes who are still battling illnesses connected to 9/11.

For many individuals, the death of bin Laden brought closure. The death also served to rekindle memories of those who volunteered to assist at the World Trade Center site after the 9/11 attacks.

The lives of many Ground Zero volunteers were changed in challenging ways. Rescue and recovery workers and others are still suffering from health consequences related to the World Trade Center disaster.

“People who have suffered after the 9/11 terrorist attacks must know all the benefits of the James [Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act](#). Filing a Zadroga claim is the way for the rescue and recovery workers made ill by [Ground Zero toxic dust](#) to get both health care and financial compensation,” said Perelman, a [New York personal injury lawyer](#) for over 30 years.

On January 2, 2010, President Barack Obama signed the Zadroga Act establishing the World Trade Health Program, and extending and expanding eligibility for compensation under the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001.

“While the death of Osama bin Laden will provide closure for many, [filing a Zadroga claim](#) is a critical step for those who are living with injuries caused by the 9/11 attacks in New York,” [personal injury lawyer](#) Perelman said.

Since the WTC collapsed, a number of rescue workers, policemen, construction workers, cleanup workers and firemen who helped on the site, have been diagnosed with illnesses that have been linked to [Ground Zero toxins](#), including silicosis, asbestosis, chronic infections, chronic bronchitis, emphysema, asthma, and mesothelioma.

The James [Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act](#) is a \$4.3 billion bill which will provide health services and financial compensation to sick and injured rescue and recovery workers made ill by [Ground Zero toxic dust](#) after the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

The Zadroga Act was named in honor of James Zadroga, a New York police officer who died from a [respiratory disease connected to 9/11 rescue efforts](#).

Responders suffering long-term personal injury from exposure to Ground Zero are entitled to get compensation. All the victims can file a compensation claim under the Zadroga Act, said [New York personal injury lawyer](#) Perecman.

Injured or ill individuals including firefighters and medical personnel who would like more information about the the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act, or would like to know if they are eligible for benefits or compensation, please visit [www.perecman.com](http://www.perecman.com), or call 1 718 WORKERS (967 5377). Our expert New York personal injury lawyers can also assist you with your claim.

About David Perecman and The Perecman Firm, PLLC:

For the past 30 years, the personal injury accident, construction accident, auto accident, and medical malpractice lawyers at The Perecman Firm, PLLC have championed all types of cases concerning personal injury. David Perecman, founder of the Firm, is a Board Director and the past Secretary and Treasurer of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association (NYSTLA) and a chair of its Labor Law Committee. Mr. Perecman's achievements have brought him recognition as an Honoree in the National Law Journal's Hall of Fame, in New York Magazine's "The Best Lawyers in America" and The New York Times Magazine "New York Super Lawyers, Metro Edition" for the years 2007- 2010.

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The Firm has recovered millions of dollars for its clients. Among the more recent victories, Mr. Perecman won a \$15 million verdict\* for a construction accident, a \$10 million dollar verdict\*\* for an scaffold accident, and a \$40 million dollar structured settlement for medical malpractice\*\*\*.

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\*\* case settled after the jury verdict in amount of \$ 10,020,000

\*\*\* total potential payout

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