

25 Questions to Ask a Mesothelioma Lawyer

Mesothelioma patients and family members often have a lot of questions. Experienced mesothelioma attorneys can answer any questions their clients may have about their legal options. If you're meeting with a lawyer for the first time, here are some questions you can ask to find the right one for you. Also, you should feel free to ask any other questions that come to mind. A good attorney will provide clear and thorough answers.

01. Getting Started: Questions for Your Mesothelioma Lawyer

Asking questions about a lawyer and their firm can be a good place to start. It will give you an idea of the lawyer's experience and their firm's background.

Questions

Answers

1. Does your firm specialize in mesothelioma cases and what percentage of your practice is dedicated to these types of cases?

2. How long has your firm been handling asbestos cases?

3. How many mesothelioma cases has your firm handled?

4. What are some examples of successful mesothelioma lawsuits your firm has handled?

5. [If speaking to a lawyer over the phone] Where is your firm located and are you licensed to practice law in my state?	
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02. Key Questions to Ask About Your Case

Once you know the law firm's experience, you may want to start asking questions about how the firm will handle your specific case. A good mesothelioma law firm can explain how they can investigate and litigate your claim, using extensive resources for research.

6. Have you handled cases for people with exposure histories similar to mine?	
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7. How can you identify the right asbestos company to file against if I do not know where I was exposed?	
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8. How do you investigate and find evidence of asbestos exposure?	
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9. What if my exposure was caused by more than one source? How do you handle cases against multiple companies?	
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10. Will I need to travel at any point during my mesothelioma lawsuit?	
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11. How long does a mesothelioma lawsuit take, what delays could we experience and how do you handle them?

03. Questions About Compensation for Your Case

Getting compensation for your injuries is a key part of a mesothelioma lawyer's work. A lawyer will balance your short- and long-term interests.

12. How do you estimate the value of a mesothelioma claim?

13. What is the typical compensation range for a mesothelioma case similar to mine?

14. Do I have a say in whether we settle the case or go to trial?

15. Do you handle other claim types, such as asbestos trust fund or VA claims?

16. How quickly can I expect to receive compensation if my case is successful?

04. Questions to Understand Legal Fees

It is normal to have concerns about the cost of hiring a lawyer. Quality law firms do not have upfront costs. A reputable attorney will be transparent and open about fees. Make sure you understand how the law firm collects its fees and ensure you're comfortable with the arrangement before making a decision.

17. How much does it cost to file a lawsuit and are there any upfront fees or expenses I will need to pay?	
18. How is your legal team compensated for your services?	
19. What other types of fees should I expect, such as expert witness fees or travel fees?	

05. Completing the Picture: Additional Important Questions

You may want to ask a few additional questions to help you understand how the lawyer will communicate with you during the case. Your mesothelioma lawyer should be open and honest with you, and you should feel comfortable talking to them.

20. Who will be my main point of contact?	
21. How often will we communicate and how will I get updates about my case?	

22. Will we mostly be in contact through email? Text? Phone calls?	
23. Will you handle my case personally, or will it be assigned to another attorney?	
24. Can you provide references from past mesothelioma clients?	
25. Why should I choose your law firm to represent me?	

06: Additional Notes

Hopefully, these questions will help you
find a mesothelioma lawyer you're
comfortable working with.

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