

# St. Petersburg Injury Attorney Michael Babboni Comments On Laminate Flooring Formaldehyde Emissions

**A recent discovery that Formaldehyde emissions from some laminate flooring manufacturers far exceeded safe levels draws comment from experienced injury attorney Michael Babboni.**

*St. Petersburg Florida, March 30<sup>th</sup> 2016* - A recent report by the National Center for Environmental Health at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, revealed that some laminate Floor products exceeded safe levels of formaldehyde emissions. The report states that formaldehyde emissions were high enough to cause people without a medical condition such as asthma to have breathing problems as well as result in irritation of the eyes, nose and throat. Additionally the report states that the dangerous formaldehyde emissions coming from the laminate flooring elevated the risk of getting cancer from long-term exposure to the emissions.

The product in question was already the subject of a previous complaints which resulted in a lawsuit. The outcome of the law suite required Lumber Liquidators to pay the California Air Resources Board \$2.5 million, which was deposited into the California Air Pollution Control Fund.

Originally sold in America by Lumber Liquidators, sales of the Chinese-manufactured laminate flooring were stopped in 2015, however many homeowners may be unaware of the danger.

St. Petersburg Florida personal injury attorney Michael J. Babboni had this to say about the report, "The new revelations that many homeowners could be suffering health problems from laminate flooring is disturbing. This product has already been the subject of lawsuits yet was continued to be sold as late a last year. It is my hope that Lumber Liquidators reaches out to customers who have purchased this dangerous product and alert them to the danger. Too often harmful substances are used in construction materials and go unnoticed allowing them to cause serious health problems in consumers that must then suffer from a decreased quality of life and high medical care bills"

A full copy of the report is available on the CDC website.

## **About Attorney Michael Babboni:**

Michael J. Babboni is an attorney who is practicing in southwest Florida. His motto is, "Personal Injury and wrongful death do not happen to plaintiffs. They happen to people." Michael is able to handle many types of cases. Some of the cases that Michael J. Babboni can handle include brain injury, personal injury, slip and fall, drunk driving accidents, workplace accidents and wrongful death.

Michael J. Babboni was awarded a Juris Doctor degree in 1987 from Stetson College of Law. He also attended the University of Wisconsin and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science.

A member of many professional organizations, including, the American Association for Justice, Florida Justice Association and Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum. Only a small percentage of lawyers are able to be a part of the Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum. This is an organization that was first established in the 1993. It is reserved for attorneys who have managed to obtain million dollar verdicts for their clients.

Michael J. Babboni has been interviewed several times throughout his career. He has also appeared on

many local newscasts and discussed important legal matters.

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