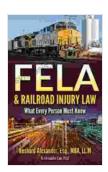
# Fela Railroad Injury Law: A Comprehensive Guide for Railroad Workers

The Federal Employers Liability Act (FELA) is a federal law that provides legal protection and compensation to railroad workers injured on the job. FELA is a critical piece of legislation that ensures railroad workers have access to fair and just compensation when they are injured due to the negligence of their employer or a fellow employee.



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#### **Key Provisions of FELA**

- Negligence standard: FELA imposes a negligence standard on railroads, meaning they are liable for injuries to their employees caused by their negligence.
- Comparative negligence: Under FELA, damages are awarded based on the degree of negligence attributable to both the railroad and the injured employee.

- Damages: FELA allows injured railroad workers to recover damages for lost wages, medical expenses, pain and suffering, and other economic and non-economic losses.
- Statute of limitations: FELA has a three-year statute of limitations, meaning injured railroad workers must file their claims within three years of the date of their injury.

### Who is Covered by FELA?

FELA covers all railroad employees, including:

- Train engineers
- Conductors
- Brakemen
- Switchmen
- Track workers
- Car repairers
- Shop workers
- Office workers

#### **Common Railroad Injuries**

Railroad workers face a wide range of potential injuries on the job, including:

- Traumatic brain injuries
- Spinal cord injuries

- Amputations
- Burns
- Fractures
- Lacerations
- Repetitive motion injuries
- Occupational diseases

### **Proving Negligence Under FELA**

To recover damages under FELA, injured railroad workers must prove that their employer or a fellow employee was negligent and that their negligence caused their injuries.

Negligence can be proven by showing that the railroad:

- Failed to provide a safe workplace
- Failed to properly train employees
- Failed to maintain equipment properly
- Engaged in reckless or careless conduct

#### Filing a FELA Claim

If you are a railroad worker injured on the job, it is important to take the following steps to file a FELA claim:

- Report your injury to your supervisor.
- Seek medical attention.

- Contact a FELA attorney.
- File a FELA claim with the railroad.

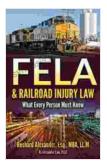
## **Benefits of Hiring a FELA Attorney**

Hiring a FELA attorney can provide you with a number of benefits, including:

- Expertise in FELA law: FELA attorneys are experienced in handling
   FELA claims and can help you navigate the legal process.
- Aggressive representation: FELA attorneys will aggressively represent your interests and fight for your rights.
- Maximum compensation: FELA attorneys will work to ensure that you receive the maximum compensation you are entitled to.

If you are a railroad worker injured on the job, you have important legal rights under FELA. By understanding your rights and taking the necessary steps to file a claim, you can ensure that you receive the compensation you deserve for your injuries.

Contact a FELA attorney today to learn more about your rights and how to file a claim.



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