

Defense Base Workers Act

Congress has passed the Defense Base Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. §§ 1651-1654, which covers all civilian workers overseas involved with or working for government contractors. If you are injured while working overseas, then Congress has stated that your work related injuries are covered by the Longshore & Harbor Workers Act, 33 U.S.C. §901 et. seq.

Since you are based overseas, you can basically choose the venue for the location of your claim. Even though we are a San Francisco based firm we handle cases venued all over the United States. For instance, you live in Michigan and are overseas in Afghanistan and are hurt.

We can process and handle your case from San Francisco even though you remain overseas or return to your home to recuperate and seek medical attention. If you're injured overseas, you need merely to fill out the following forms and fax them back to us. Please send your original signature by mail. Click on the link below the one you got this from for a fax cover sheet to Birnberg & Associates for your initial retaining papers. Just open it up, print it and fax it back.

If you are unable to print and/or fax, then just send us the original by mail with your signature.