

## \$48 Million Awarded Paraplegic for Injury at Work

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Robert J. Bingle, a Chicago personal injury lawyer at the Corboy & Demetrio law firm, who represented a factory worker who became a paraplegic after falling off a ladder at work, was featured in an article in the *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin* regarding the \$48 million jury verdict awarded to the factory worker.

### Personal Injury and Premises Liability Lawsuit

On November 20, 2004, Anthony Arciniega, 41 years old, was working at the International Steel plant in Burns Harbor, Indiana - now ArcelorMittal - when he fell from a ladder which was covered with refractory. Court documents alleged that the refractory was there as a result of a plant contractor, Minteq International. Anthony was rendered a paraplegic.

He returned to work in a wheelchair within six months of the incident, despite unremitting nerve pain. "I had to support my family," Tony explained during questioning by the attorneys. "Part of my responsibility as a husband and father is to put food on the table." Arciniega's wife, Sarah, a licensed practical nurse, worked at a nursing home to make up for the family's lost income, in addition to serving as Mr. Arciniega's nurse and taking care of the couple's three children.

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"We are very thankful that the jury realized what we've been through and are grateful to our attorneys for all their hard work," Sarah said after the verdict. "Every day is a struggle for us but this verdict will make our lives much easier." The verdict is one of the largest personal injury verdicts in Indiana for 2008.

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