

Worker's Fractured Leg Results in \$70,000 Fine



A carpenter and a co-worker were trying to position a large wall form using a 12-foot-long, 4" x 4" piece of lumber as a lever. The lumber broke and one of the workers stumbled forward and tripped, suffering a fracture to one leg. At trial, the company was found guilty of failing to ensure that material or equipment at a project is stored and moved in a manner that doesn't endanger a worker and was fined \$70,000 [Avenue Building Corp., Govt. News Release, June 5, 2015].