



HERBICIDE LINKED TO PARKINSON'S PARAQUAT

**BANNED OR
RESTRICTED
IN MORE THAN
30 COUNTRIES**


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Toxic weed killer Paraquat is one of the most popular commercial herbicides around the globe. Concerns about the product's safety have persisted for years, however, including that direct exposure to the toxic chemical can cause neurological damage and may cause Parkinson's Disease.

Due to its toxicity, Paraquat is restricted in the U.S., and can only be used by licensed applicators who have completed training on how to mix, load and apply the herbicide. As a result, licensed applicators and the people who work for them are most at risk for health problems caused by toxic exposure.

Farmers and agricultural workers have filed lawsuits in courts around the country alleging Paraquat's manufacturer, Syngenta Group, failed to warn them about the life-altering neurological effects Paraquat caused them. In addition to its agricultural use, we've found that main-line railroads also frequently used Paraquat to control brush and weeds. We are reviewing the allegations.

If you or someone you love was directly exposed to Paraquat after 1964 and later diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease, you may have a claim.

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PARAQUAT AND THE EPA

While Paraquat isn't banned in the U.S., the EPA proposed new safety measures for the product in October 2020 to "reduce risks associated with paraquat in order to better to protect human health and the environment." Measures outlined by the EPA include, but are not limited to:

- Aerial application for all uses and use sites is prohibited, except cotton desiccation
- For cotton desiccation, a residential area drift buffer and 7-day restricted entry interval (REI) is required
- If more than 80 acres are treated in 24-hour period, enclosed cabs are required
- If 80 acres or less are treated in 24-hour period, enclosed cabs or PF10 respirators are required



ABOUT WILSON LAW, P.A.

Wilson Law, P.A., founder Kimberly Wilson White has decades of experience as an advocate for people harmed by dangerous products. She helps lead multiple prominent cases, including being a member of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee for the Pelvic Repair Systems Product Liability MDL, (S.D.W. Va.), for women harmed by dangerous pelvic mesh products. She also serves as a member of the Science and Expert Subcommittee in the 3M Combat Arms Earplug Products MDL (N.D. Fla.) and is the only North Carolina lawyer appointed to the MDL's leadership for U.S. servicemembers who suffered hearing loss allegedly caused by faulty earplugs. *The Wall Street Journal*, *CBS Nightly News with Dan Rather*, *the Ladies' Home Journal*, and numerous local television shows have featured Kimberly and her work for plaintiffs.



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PARAQUAT AND PARKINSON'S DISEASE

Exposure to Paraquat can cause severe health effects with some studies finding "significant associations" with Parkinson's Disease. Parkinson's Disease is an irreversible neurological disorder. Symptoms become worse over time, impairing movement and the disease can cause non-movement symptoms such as incontinence, soft or slurred speech, dementia, and mental impairments that can reach the point of psychosis as the disease progresses. Common Parkinson's Disease symptoms include, but are not limited to:

- Hand tremors
- Stiffness
- Loss of balance and/or difficulty moving and walking
- Trouble speaking
- Hallucinations
- Delusions

Paraquat is sold under trade names such as

- Gramoxone
- Ortho-Paraquat
- Para-SHOT
- Parazone
- Quick-Quat
- Firestorm
- Helmquat

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