I'm an independent contractor, can I file a Workers' Compensation claim?



"Can independent contractors get workers' compensation?"

If you've been hurt in the workplace and told that you cannot get workers' compensation benefits because you are an independent contractor, there is an important question you must ask: "Am I actually an independent contractor?"

Attorney Matt Wilson explains why this question is important:

"Just because an employer tries to say you're an independent contractor doesn't mean that *under the law* you're an independent contractor, and therefore you may still have rights to workers' compensation benefits."

Employers sometimes try to classify employees as independent contractors to avoid responsibility for workers' comp and other benefits. It is important to know that the way an employer labels your job is *not* what determines independent contractor status; there are specific laws and regulations

that make that determination.

To learn more about this issue, and to find out what options you have, follow these steps:

- 1. Watch the video above (if you haven't already done so) to hear more from Matt Wilson
- 2. View our independent contractor page for additional information
- 3. Contact us to get a free consultation and answers tailored to your specific situation