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Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

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DISABILITY CLAIM DIVISION

New York City

Oct. 16, 1929

General Asbeston & Rubber Division
of Raybestos-Manhattan Inc.
P. O. Box 67
North Charleston, South Carolina

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North Charleston, S. C.

In re: John Harris Serial 572 GH 1052

Dear Sir:

The supplementary medical report referred to in your letter of October 11 has been received by us.

We realize that the delay in submitting those reports to us is not always avoidable. We understand that you are doing your utmost to have them submitted to us promptly and we wish to thank you for your co-operation in this case.

Yours truly,

R. J. Marler
Supervisor

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North Charleston, S. C.

General Asbestos & Rubber Div.
of Raybestos-Manhattan Inc.
P.O. Box 67
North Charleston, South Carolina

In re John Harris Serial 572 GH 1052 CL. 154493

Dear Sir:

Twenty-six weeks of benefit have now
been paid in the case of the above insured. The first day
of incapacity is reported to have been 4-13-29
and benefits have been paid from 4-20-29 to
and including 10-18-29

This represents our full obligation for
this illness under the Health Policy issued to this employee
and with the payment made we are automatically canceling
the Health Insurance effective as of 10-18-29
until such time as he is able to return to work at full time
and full pay.

Please promptly report to us the exact date
of his return in order that the revival of his Insurance may
be made.

Yours very truly,



Supervisor

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METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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NEW YORK CITY

DISABILITY CLAIM DIVISION

December 23, 1930

Mr. F. H. Jeffords
General Asbestos and Rubber Division of Raybestos Manhattan,
Post Office Box 67
North Charleston, South Carolina

In re: Permanent disability
8759 - Group 2045 - Serial 572 -
John Harris -

Dear Sir

In reply to your December 16 letter, may we inform you that benefits under the Group Health Contract expired April 13, 1929, having been paid in full.

Mr. Harris' claim for total and permanent disability benefits was allowed on December 13, 1929. The insurance of \$900. provides 60 monthly installments of \$16.20 each which were commenced effective December 2, 1929 and will be paid during the existence of total disability. Thus far, the insured has received 13 monthly installments of \$16.20 each. If death should occur at this time, the beneficiary named in the policy would receive approximately \$728.50.

Trusting that this information is sufficient, we are

Yours truly

Harry A. Bayer
Supervisor

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GENERAL ASBESTOS & RUBBER DIVISION

OF RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

ASBESTOS PRODUCTS
PACKINGS, BRAKE LINING, TEXTILES

P.O. BOX 67

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C.

December 26, 1930

CABLE ADDRESS
"GARCO"
CODES USED
BENTLEY'S
WESTERN UNION 5 LETTER

EHJ/EM



Julian Mitchell, Esq.,
c/o Mitchell & Horlbeck,
31 Broad Street,
Charleston, S. C.

In Re: Permanent Disa-
bility No. 8759-Group
2045, Serial 572; John
Harris.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:-

For your information, I am attaching hereto copy of the letter which I have just received from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, in regard to John Harris.

Trusting that this will give you the information desired, I remain

Yours very truly,

E.H. Jeffords,
GENERAL ASBESTOS & RUBBER DIVISION
of Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.

Encl.
(Cy. let. 12/23/30
from Met Life
Ins. Co.)

file

12/20/31

Dr W. A. Smith. Charleston S.C.

Dear Dr Smith I didnt ^{get} any check
for the month of Oct and havent
got any for this month. and my
wife since leaving the Sanitorium
is at home very sick and
under the care of a physician
and very badly in need of funds
can you help us

and oblige

John Harris

CAROLINA ASBESTOS COMPANY

HIGH GRADE ASBESTOS TEXTILE PRODUCTS

DAVIDSON, N. C.

December 30, 1932.

C. H. CARLOUGH
PRESIDENT



Mr. E. H. Jeffords,
General Asbestos & Rubber Division of
Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.,
North Charleston, S.C.

Dear Mr. Jeffords:

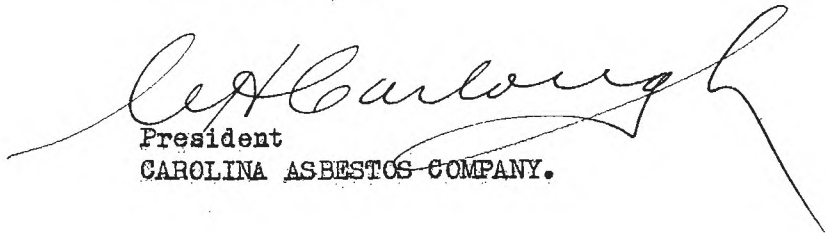
If I recall rightly, I believe you have had occasion in the last few years to defend a couple of suits instituted against you by your employees in which they claimed total disability through Asbestosis.

Undoubtedly on this subject you have gathered quite a good deal of data and as we have had two suits instituted against us, I am wondering if you would care to give me whatever information you have on this subject so that I can pass same forward to our attorneys.

Your cooperation in this matter would be very heartily appreciated and reciprocated at any time within our power.

I wish to take this opportunity of wishing you personally a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely yours,


President
CAROLINA ASBESTOS COMPANY.

CHC/B.

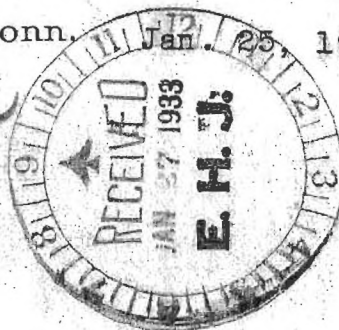
THE RAYBESTOS DIVISION

OF RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

Raybestos
TRADE MARK REGISTERED

QUOTATIONS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. ALL AGREEMENTS CONTINGENT UPON STRIKES, ACCIDENTS AND OTHER CONDITIONS BEYOND OUR CONTROL.
ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMPANY.

Bridgeport, Conn.



Mr. E. H. Jeffords, Gen. Mgr.,
General Asbestos & Rubber Division,
North Charleston, S. C.

My dear Mr. Jeffords:

Enclosed find copy of letter
received from Mr. Carlough in reference to
Asbestosis cases.

Very truly yours,

MNG.

Enc.

Secretary to S. Simpson.

P. S. Am also sending a copy to Mr.
Mitchell.

THE RAYBESTOS DIVISION.

RAYBESTOS LININGS

Silver Edge Woven
Gold Edge Woven
Velcoe Woven
F. W. Heavy Duty
Molded Segments
Molded Lining in Rolls
Woven Segments
Die Pressed Segments
Hydraulic Compressed Lining
Transmission Linings—Ford

CLUTCH FACINGS

Woven
Molded
Segments

BRAKE SERVICE STATION EQUIPMENT

Brake Tester
Drum Lathe
Drilling and Countersinking
Machines
Riveting Machines
Heavy Duty Riveter
Semi Automatic Riveter
Lining Cutter
Wheel Pullers
Pedal Depressors
Hydraulistat
Air Jacks
Brake Springs
Adjusting Screws
Clevis Pins
Refining Straps
Refining Clamps

BRAKES

Automobile
Industrial, Special
For Ford Pleasure Cars
For Ford Trucks

RIVETS

Tubular Brass
Split Brass
Solid Copper
Rayluminum

PACKINGS

Asbestos
Red and Black Wire Inserted
Wick Packing
Twisted Packing
Compressed Jointing

FAN BELTS

CAR MATS

HOSE

Air Hose
Car Washer Hose
Generator Tubing
Radiator Hose
Water Hose
Windshield Wiper Hose
Welding Hose

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HOME OFFICE: 80 MAIDEN LANE, NEW YORK

CHARLESTON BRANCH CLAIM OFFICE

6 SOUTHERN HOME BUILDING, CHARLESTON, S. C.

TELEPHONE, 1918

January 30, 1933.

J. F. McDONOUGH
MANAGER

RE: 1988-14-60 - Raybest0s-Manhattan, Inc. (General Asbestos & Rubber
Division) James M. Ackerman - 11-7-32

Messrs. Mitchell & Horlbeck
Charleston, S.C.

Mr. Julian Mitchell, Sr.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:-

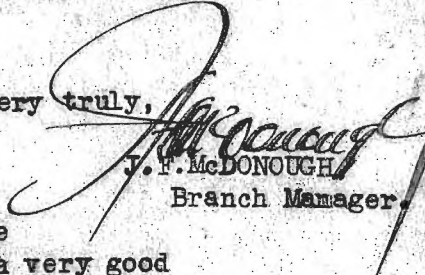
You will remember our discussing the non-medical coverage granted under our EL- 2555 to the above named assured, General Asbestos & Rubber Company.

I effected settlement with the above named claimant in the amount of \$200.00, and I am attaching hereto copies of the releases, which are self-explanatory. You will note that the basis of settlement was on the grounds of \$100.00 for operation, hospitalization, etc. and \$100.00 for loss of wages, permanent disability, pain and suffering and punitive damages and all other damages.

Since in my discussion with this claimant at the time of settlement he was making claim for the operation fee and intends to be operated upon I think that your client, our assured, should contribute \$100.00 towards this settlement, and I feel that this settlement with the claimant in the amount of \$200.00 is very favorable to both our interests.

Thanking you very kindly,

Yours very truly,


J. F. McDONOUGH
Branch Manager

P.S. I am informed by our Agency here, that the General Asbestos & Rubber plant here received a very good rating, and in lieu of non-medical coverage, received also a further reduction of 13% to 15% on the premium, and I think you will agree that there is an element of consideration involved that warrants some payment by this assured.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

DISABILITY CLAIM DIVISION

Permanent Disability Section

Form 0347
Apr, 1930
PRINTED IN U.S.A.

STATEMENT OF CLAIM FOR TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY BENEFITS

TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYEE

1. What is your full name?	Ben L. Hester
2. Where do you live?	Street 14 Jenkins City N. Charleston State S.C.
3. Please give your personal description as follows:	Age 54 Sex Male Married Yes Color White
4. Nature of present sickness or injury?	Chest Shoulders Weakness in knees
5. On what date were you first totally disabled by this sickness or injury so that you were wholly unable to work?	March 4th, 1933
6. Have you since that time engaged in any occupation or business? If so, state particulars.	No
7. On what date were you first treated by a physician?	March 6th, 1933
8. Name all physicians who treated you since beginning of this disability.	W. W. Wild
9. Have you been confined to house by this sickness or injury? If so, how long?	From March 4 , 19... to April 1 , 19 33
10. If not confined to house, why are you unable to work?	Chest, Shoulders, Weakness in Knees
11. Are you now wholly unable to engage in any work, occupation or business?	Yes
12. If your disability is due to accident, answer the following questions: (a) Were you at work when accident happened? (b) When and where did accident happen? (c) Describe accident; tell how it happened.	
13. Are you receiving benefits for this disability from any other Insurance Company, Society or Lodge, etc.? If so, give particulars.	No Company..... Amt. per week..... No. of weeks payable.....
14. Are you insured under any other policies issued by this Company? If so, give numbers.	No

Date **Sept. 12, 1933** Signature of Employee **Ben L. Hester**

TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER

Group No. 2045-G	Serial 460	Date of Issue 4-5-23	Amount of Insurance \$1,000.00
1. Name of employee.	Ben L. Hester		
2. On what date was he employed?	1-5-25		
3. Was he a full or part time employee at beginning of this disability?	Full Time		
4. In what occupation?	Weaver		
5. On what date was he last at work?	March 4, 1933		
6. Was he laid off prior to beginning of this disability? If so, on what date?	No		
7. What was his weekly pay at beginning of disability?	\$25.00		
8. Was disability due to accident in course of employment?	No		
9. Has it been reported to the State Board or Commission or any Insurance Company as a Workmen's Compensation Claim? If not, state reasons why.	No		
10. Are there any circumstances which would cause you to question the validity of the claim? If so, please give particulars.	No		

Date **September 12, 1933** Signed **GENERAL ASBESTOS & RUBBER DIVISION of Raytheon-Manhattan, Inc.**
By **W.K. Muckenfuss**

ATTENDING PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE

NOTICE: This certificate is to be completed by physician actually attending and treating the claimant. It is not to be completed by any Company Examiner who is not acting as claimant's private physician.

1. Full name of patient.	Ben L. Hester
2. Where did you first attend him? At his home, or your office, or where?	At his home
3. On what date were you first consulted on account of injury or sickness described on the other side hereof?	March 6th, 1933
4. During what period and how many times did you visit him at his home on account of this injury or sickness?	From March 6 19 33 To Sept. 12 19 33 Confined to bed & up & about Number of visits to home
5. On what date did you last give him actual and necessary treatment and what was the total number of treatments on account of this injury or sickness?	Last treatment Sept. 12 19 33 Total number of treatments In attendance since March 6 1933
6. State the precise nature of this injury or sickness and give your diagnosis as finally made.	ch- Bronchitis, attacks of pleurisy ch Brights with hypertension Pulmonary Tuberculosis
7. State in detail the symptoms observed by you during your attendance.	Cough - loss of weight - diminished expansion - Tubular breathing over upper half of chest - Rales over entire chest - Blood Pressure $\frac{160}{90}$ Weakness.
8. State in detail the exact condition at the present time and give your prognosis.	Condition poor - improvement very slow - Weakness - Prognosis poor
9. If the disease is tuberculosis, state by what tests the diagnosis has been confirmed.	Tubular breathing shortness of breath rales cough
10. How long will he be necessarily confined to house, wholly on account of this injury or sickness?	Patient is confined to bed part of time From 19 To 19
11. If not confined to house, how does he spend his time or purpose to do so?	and up and about part of time
12. Is he wholly unable to engage in any work, occupation or business suitable to one of his experience, training or qualifications?	Yes
13. If totally disabled at the present time, will such disability be permanent?	In my opinion yes.
14. If total disability will not be permanent, approximate a date work of any kind may be resumed.	
15. Can his ailment be successfully treated while continuing at work, either for full or part time? If not, state why.	No
16. Are you his regular family physician? How long have you been such?	Yes - 8 - 10 yrs.

Date signed **Sept. 12** 19 **32**
Graduate of **St. Louis University**
Year graduated **1918**

Signature of Physician **Dr. W. W. Wild**
Residence: No. and Street **Resident Physician for**
General Asbestos & Rubber Division
City **North Charleston** State **S. C.**



GENERAL ASBESTOS & RUBBER DIVISION

OF RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

ASBESTOS PRODUCTS
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P.O. BOX 67

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C.

CABLE ADDRESS
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BENTLEY'S
WESTERN UNION 5 LETTER

September 30, 1933

EHJ/EM

Juliam Mitchell, Esq.,
c/o Mitchell & Horlbeck,
Broad Street,
Charleston, S. C.

In Re: Dan Chubb - Serial 330, Group 6683 -
Claim 428184

Dear Sir:-

For your files we are attaching hereto copies of
letters, as follows -

Letter written by Metropolitan Life Insurance
Co., under date of September 28th, signed by
R.J. Marler. This letter is in regard to hav-
ing had X-Ray pictures made of the chest of
the party as mentioned above.

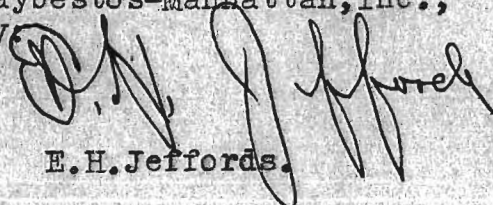
Letter written by the Metropolitan Life Insur-
ance Co., under date of September 28th, in re-
gard to the party as mentioned above to which
they attached copy of Dr. Taft's report, of his
findings as a result of the X-Ray Pictures.

Copy of Dr. Taft's Report, dated September 20th,
as to the X-Ray examination which he made of
the party as mentioned above.

Very truly yours,

GENERAL ASBESTOS & RUBBER DIVISION
of Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.,

By


E.H. Jeffords.

Encls.
(as listed)

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

Bridgeport, Conn.
March 5, 1934

Mr. Julian Mitchell,
Messrs. Mitchell & Horlbeck,
Charleston, S. C.

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

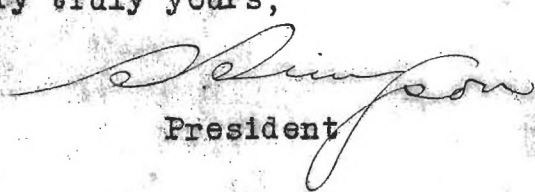
SUBJECT: Ben Garvis.

In reply to your letter of the 3rd, and confirming telephone conversation with "Jeff" from your office, I told "Jeff" he could make arrangements with Ben Garvis to pay him \$10.00 to \$12.00 per week, for a limited time, depending exactly on what arrangement can be made with him, so he can go to the country and see if he cannot get straightened out.

I should imagine this would run for at least six months before he can begin to tell whether he is going to get better or not, so it will be satisfactory to have the arrangement run at least six months, and his pay to go on for this time, at \$10.00 or \$12.00 a week.

Very truly yours,

SS-G.


President

Copy to E.H. Jeffords

PROOF OF DEATH
STATEMENT OF EMPLOYERTo the METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY:
Claim Division.City North Charleston, S. C.
Group Number 6683 GLH Serial Number 358 Date of Certificate 7/3/33 Amount of Insurance \$500.00This is to certify that Ben Garvis aged 57 died on the 17 day of March 1934
(Name of Employee)

and was in the employ of the undersigned at the date of death.

That the deceased had been so employed from 9/5/22 to 192And last reported for work on 11/7/33 192Name of Beneficiary Ida R. Garvis Relationship Wife Age Residence: No. and Street 152 Spring St. City or Town Charleston State S. C.

Was deceased cared for by the Company's Nursing Service during last illness?

Employer GENERAL ASBESTOS & RUBBER DIVISION
of Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.Dated April 2nd 1934 By W. K. Muckenfuss
(Official Representative of Employer)Send Claim Check to GENERAL ASBESTOS & RUBBER DIV.,
of Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc. at North Charleston, S. C.

ATTENDING PHYSICIAN'S STATEMENT

As the Company preserves a record of its mortality experience, the report of the Attending Physician will be of great service if precise and full answers are given to the following questions.

NOTE.—If no attending physician, or in case of sudden death by accident or otherwise, attach certified copy of the record of death as shown by the books of the Health Department, Registrar, County Clerk or other officer having charge of such records.

1. Full Name of Deceased? <u>Ben Garvis</u>	White or Colored? <u>White</u>	5. How long had deceased been ill when you were called to attend in last illness? <u>Since November, 1933</u>
2. Date of Death? Month <u>March</u> Day <u>17th</u> Year <u>1934</u>		6. Date of your first visit in last illness? <u>January 10, 1934</u>
3. Place of Death? If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its name. No. <u>Roper Hosp</u> Street <u></u> City or Town <u>Charleston</u> State <u>S.C.</u>		7. Date of your last visit? <u>March 17, 1934</u>
4. Cause of Death? <u>Carcinoma, Bronchial</u> <u>Asbestosis</u> <u>From Jan. 10, 1934</u> Duration from personal knowledge <u>Don't know</u> Yrs. <u></u> Mos. <u></u> Days <u></u> Duration from history given <u>Don't know</u> Yrs. <u></u> Mos. <u></u> Days <u></u> Contributory or <u>Secondary Bronchial</u> Secondary <u>Infection</u> <u>Don't know</u> (Duration) <u></u> Yrs. <u></u> Mos. <u></u> Days <u></u>		8. Was death caused by any condition arising from decedent's occupation? <u>Probably asbestos dust was a contributing factor.</u>
		9. Was death due to suicide, homicide or accident? If accident, give particulars and date. <u>No</u>

I Hereby Certify that I attended the Deceased from Jan. 10, 1934 to Mar. 17, 1934 1934,
that I signed the Certificate on file at the office of the Board of Health or Register of Vital Statistics, and that the answers as above recorded
are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.Signature of Physician W. Atmar SmithDated April 6 1934Residence: No. and Street 72 Society St. City or Town Charleston State S.C.

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

Passaic, New Jersey

February 6, 1937

Mr. Julian Mitchell
Messrs. Mitchell & Horlbeck
Charleston, South Carolina

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 3, 1937, and to thank you for the list of cases mentioned therein. I have heard from Mr. Rohrbach that, of the two tried last week, one was decided in our favor, and the other resulted in a mistrial, due to the illness of the litigant on the other side. It is unfortunate, because, I understand that the case was progressing nicely for us.

Reciprocating your kind regards, I am,

Yours truly



W. H. Dunn

Comptroller

WHD/HE

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

Cc - Mr. E. H. Jeffords

DEPARTMENT OF
PATHOLOGY

MEDICAL COLLEGE
OF
THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
CHARLESTON, S. C.

3 at 10
Bessie Wade
April 16, 1937.

Mr. Julian Mitchell,
Broad St.,
Charleston, S. C.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

In response to your inquiry, I am informed by the physician treating Mrs. Bessie Wade that the nature of her treatment in the hospital is essentially that used in the treatment of presumptive tuberculosis, that is bed rest and full diet. Under this treatment her condition is improving. She has gained weight and her cough has decreased.

As to the probable date of her return to work, I am informed that this prospect is somewhat indefinite but that is likely that she will be able to return to some form of work within a few months. Whether she should return to her previous employment is a matter of considerable question with her physician. Her recovery he considers problematical, that is so far as a complete return to normal is concerned. At least he considers that it is impossible to be definite about that at this time.

A final diagnosis has not been made at this time. I am informed that it is probably not tuberculosis but fibrosis of the lungs from exposure to asbestos dust.

Trusting that this is the information desired,

Yours very truly,

Kenneth M. Lynch
Kenneth M. Lynch.

KML:n

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

Bridgeport, Conn.
February 12, 1943

Mr. Julian Mitchell
Mitchell & Horlbeck
Charleston, S. C.

My dear Julian:

Enclosed find letter from Dr. Gardner of
the Saranac Laboratory, in reference to Mr. E. T. Hill.

You will note that he does not think Mr.
Hill has asbestosis.

I was a little surprised to see what he
says about Dr. Smith, although I can possibly under-
stand it as Smith has been trying to promote himself
for a long time as an asbestosis expert, but to me,
quite a prejudiced one as he thinks everyone who works
in an asbestos factory has asbestosis.

I am also enclosing a report from Dr.
Chas. E. Hyde, of Bridgeport, our factory doctor at
Stratford. Dr. Hyde takes a great many Xray pictures
himself and while he does not endeavor to qualify as
an expert, they do consult him quite frequently.

The Xray films are being sent back to you
today.

Very truly yours,

SS:G



Encs.

Cc. to Mr. E. H. Jeffords