

1 an opinion to a reasonable degree of scientific
2 certainty as to whether this individual's exposure to
3 asbestos-containing friction products caused his
4 mesothelioma?

5 A Yes, I have an opinion.

6 Q And what is your opinion?

7 A And my opinion is that his exposure to
8 friction products would not be the cause of his
9 mesothelioma.

10 Q Okay. Let me ask you the second
11 hypothetical then.

12 Assume that a different individual worked in
13 a garage between 1948 and 1952.

14 Further assume that this individual did no
15 work on brake and clutches, but that such work was
16 going on in the garage while he was working.

17 Finally, assume that some of the friction
18 products used at the garage contained chrysotile
19 asbestos.

20 Assuming that these facts are true and that
21 this individual contracted mesothelioma, do you have