

1 people per year by the six and a half million people
2 who worked as automobile mechanics between 1940 and
3 1979, you get 13.

4 That is 13 background cases that we would
5 expect to see in automobile mechanics, not related to
6 brake and clutch work. 13 cases.

7 Well, how many cases of mesothelioma did Dr.
8 Hammar see in automobile mechanics during his 25 years
9 as a pathologist, and let's remember one important
10 fact about this.

11 Dr. Hammar testified that in his career, he
12 has seen approximately 3,000 cases of mesothelioma,
13 3,000.

14 Now, about 1,000 of them were sent to him by
15 plaintiffs' lawyers, but in total he has seen 3,000.

16 Well, Dr. Hammar said that in the 25 years
17 he has been doing this or approximately however long
18 it was, he has seen seven cases involving claims about
19 brake and clutch parts, seven.

20 The interesting thing about those seven
21 cases is that six of them were sent to him by lawyers