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Pleural plaques

1.—(1) Asbestos-related pleural plaques are a personal injury which constitutes actionable damage for the purposes of an action for damages for personal injuries.

(2) Any rule of law the effect of which is that asbestos-related pleural plaques do not constitute actionable damage ceases to apply to the extent it has that effect.

(3) But nothing in this section otherwise affects any statutory provision or rule of law which determines whether and in what circumstances a person may be liable for damages in respect of personal injuries.

(4) In this section and in section 2 “statutory provision” has the meaning given by section 1(f) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (c. 33).