

BEASLEY ALLEN FILES LAWSUIT AGAINST TRISTAR OVER EXPLODING PRESSURE COOKER

A severely burned Georgia couple filed suit against the Power Quick Pot Electric manufacturer

ATLANTA (August 9, 2023) – Beasley Allen lawyers Preston Moore, Tom Willingham and Mary Leah Miller filed a lawsuit against Tristar Products Inc. after one of the company's pressure cookers exploded, shooting scalding contents onto Andrew and Kaylle Jewell and seriously burning the couple as their children watched in sheer terror.

"Tragedy struck when our clients least expected it," said Moore, based out of Beasley Allen's Atlanta office. "It's horrific that the Jewells suffered severe and permanent injuries while cooking their family dinner. It's even worse that the children witnessed the event. Tristar must account for its actions and inactions that led to this devastating result."

The Jewells were preparing a homemade meal of spicy pork tacos on a recent summer evening when the unthinkable happened. Mrs. Jewell released the pressure valve of the Power Quick Pot Electric Pressure Cooker, Model Y6D-36, to let the steam and pressure escape. Once the pressure cooker was no longer releasing steam, Mr. Jewell began to open the lid. Suddenly, the lid exploded off the top of the pressure cooker, ejecting searing pork and other contents onto Mr. and Mrs. Jewell. The Jewells ran screaming to their shower and jumped in. Quickly realizing their burns could not be soothed with cold water, they drove to the nearest ER where doctors and nurses treated their painful injuries.

The Jewells allege that Tristar knew about the pressure cooker's defects but failed to warn consumers or remedy the problem. Tristar pressure cooker users nationwide have been seriously burned, yet the company took no steps to protect against future harm from its products.

The Jewells further allege that Tristar was negligent in designing, manufacturing and testing its pressure cooker. Additional claims include breach of warranty and strict liability.

The case is Andrew Jewell and Kaylle Jewell v. Tristar Products, Inc., filed in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, Newnan Division.

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