

# DECADES OF WATER CONTAMINATION AT CAMP LEJEUNE



WERE YOU OR A FAMILY MEMBER THERE?  
GET YOUR FAIR COMPENSATION!



## 1 MILLION

**SOLDIERS, MILITARY PERSONNEL SUPPORT STAFF, FAMILIES AND CONTRACTORS**  
ANYONE WHO SPENT 30 DAYS OR MORE AT CAMP LEJEUNE BETWEEN 1953 AND 1987 ARE CONSIDERED EXPOSED.

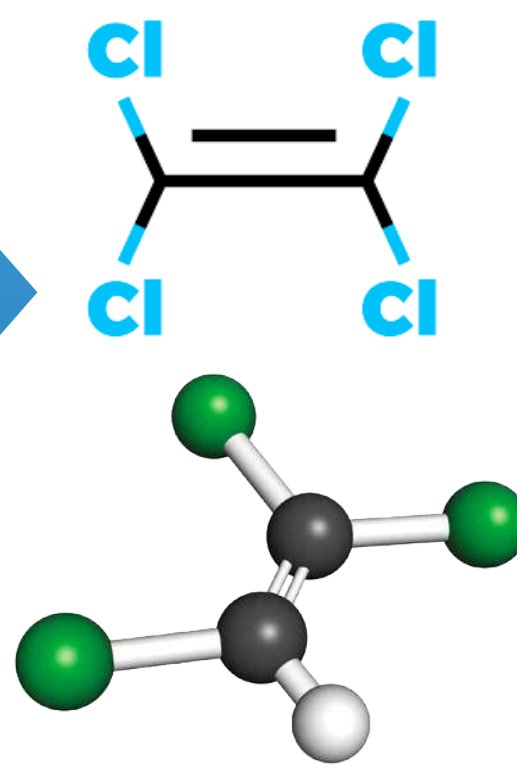
The Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune in eastern North Carolina supports Marine Corps commands, a Navy command and a Coast Guard command. It hosts the largest concentration of Marines and sailors in the world as the HOME OF EXPEDITIONARY FORCES IN READINESS but for 30 years Camp Lejeune military and their families faced an unseen enemy:

### HARMFUL CHEMICALS GOT INTO WATER SUPPLY



Cleaning solvents, fuel pollutants made their way into Camp Lejeune wells and water supply, along with pollution from leaking underground storage tanks.

### STAGGERING NUMBER OF CHEMICALS FOUND



Volatile organic compounds perchloroethylene (PCE), trichloroethylene (TCE), benzene and more than 70 chemicals were contaminating the base's water.

### THE UNSUSPECTING USE OF TAINTED WATER



From at least 1957 through 1987, marines and their families in many of the main housing areas bathed in and drank contaminated water.

### MANY BECAME ILL DUE TO TOXICITY



## 3400X

The concentrations were up to 3,400x levels permitted by safety standards, causing some soldiers and family members to get sick, and even die.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- ?** In 1982, the U.S. Marine Corps discovered toxic volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the drinking water at the Camp Lejeune base in North Carolina. However, the contamination actually began in 1953 and potentially exposed one million base workers, service members, and their families to these chemicals until 1987, according to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR).
- ?** The water at Camp Lejeune was contaminated with volatile organic compounds (VOC), such as trichloroethylene (TCE) and tetrachloroethylene (PCE), as well as benzene, trans-1,2-dichloroethylene (DCE), and vinyl chloride.
- ?** Exposure to this contaminated water has been linked to an increased risk of multiple adverse health effects, including but not limited to many types of cancer, Parkinson's disease, major fetal malformations, cardiac defect and more.
- ?** The increased risk of adverse health effects has been associated not only with adults, but also with children in utero at the time of exposure. The unborn children that were harmed due to exposure may also be eligible under the Camp Lejeune Justice Act.

## CAMP LEJEUNE MARINES HAD A...



According to a February 2014 report issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

## 35%

HIGHER RISK OF KIDNEY CANCER

## 42%

HIGHER RISK OF LIVER CANCER

## 47%

HIGHER RISK OF NON-HODGKIN'S LYMPHOMA

## 50%

HIGHER RISK OF ALS

## 68%

HIGHER RISK OF MULTIPLE MYELOMA

**Conditions and illnesses associated by the VA to the toxic groundwater are:** esophageal cancer, lung cancer, breast cancer, bladder cancer, kidney cancer, adult leukemia, multiple myeloma, myelodysplastic syndromes, renal toxicity, hepatic steatosis, female infertility, miscarriage with exposure during pregnancy, scleroderma, neurobehavioral effects, Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

## WHAT YOU CAN DO

Under the Camp Lejeune Justice Act, those who were exposed to toxic chemicals would be able to seek compensation by filing a Camp Lejeune lawsuit after having been denied justice for so many years.

**Even if you or a loved one suffered injuries years ago, you may now be able to take legal action and pursue compensation.**

**CALL 800-529-1010 TODAY TO TAKE THE FIRST STEP**

- A free consultation to determine your eligibility.
- Building a strong case with medical records, testimony, and evidence.



SOURCES: AP reporting; Tampa Bay Times reporting; testimony from 2007 U.S. Senate hearing, "Poisoned Patriots: Contaminated Drinking Water at Camp Lejeune"; testimony from 2010 House subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight hearing, "Camp Lejeune: Contamination and Compensation, Looking Back, Moving Forward".

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