



## **People Killed in Manhattan Construction Crane Accident Latest New York Victims, says New York Personal Injury Law Firm Gersowitz, Libo & Korek**

*On Saturday, March 15, a 20-story-tall crane toppled at a Manhattan construction site, demolishing a four-story townhouse, killing at least five people and injuring at least 20, according to various news sources. This event is just one of many construction accidents that have recently occurred in New York City, notes Andrew L. Libo, partner at New York and New Jersey personal injury law firm Gersowitz, Libo & Korek. The city must improve its inspection procedures, and use more inspectors to prevent such fatal accidents in the future.*

New York, NY ([PRWeb](#)) March 19, 2008 -- A 20-story-tall construction crane toppled at a construction site on Manhattan's East Side, demolishing a four-story townhouse, killing at least five people and injuring at least 20, according to various news sources. Attorney Andrew L. Libo, a partner at the New York and New Jersey law firm Gersowitz, Libo & Korek says that an improved inspection process could have prevented these needless deaths.

The accident happened at 303 East 51st Street, near Second Avenue about 2:20 P.M. EDT on Saturday, March 15th.. Shortly after the accident, New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg was quoted in a New York Times article that the "main place of carnage was either at the construction site - among probably all construction workers . . . and then in the small building where the top piece of the crane came crashing down and just basically flattened the four-story town house right into a mass of rubble."

Over the past few months, several residents living near the construction site complained repeatedly that the crane appeared precarious, according to Newsday.

"Our hearts go out to the victims and their families," says Andrew L. Libo, partner at the personal injury law firm Gersowitz, Libo & Korek. "Unfortunately, however, this type of accident occurs far too frequently in New York City. In the last year alone, we've had several accidents involving fatal or serious injuries. The city must improve their inspection procedures, and increase the number of inspectors and their training to prevent such fatal accidents in the future. In a densely-populated city where construction projects are often close to pedestrians, New York must demand that its contractors implement more rigorous safety procedures and then hold them accountable with fines and criminal penalties for their failure to follow these procedures."

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