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Jury awards injured worker

A 43-year-old man who lost half of his left foot when a steel bar crushed it at work was awarded \$700,000 by a jury in Portage County Common Pleas Court on Thursday. Todd Reber of Ravenna was working as a material handler at Lovejoy Steel Co. in Streetsboro in February 2000 when a bar weighing several thousand pounds landed on his foot, said his lawyers, Paul Grieco and William Lucas. The steel company is no longer operating. Harry Sigmier, who represents the company, said it is considering appealing. The verdict came after a three-day trial in Judge John Enlow's court.