

## **Liability: Mine Rescue Volunteer and Mine Operator**

### Va. Code Ann. 8.01-225(C)

A volunteer who, in good faith, provides rescue or recovery efforts at a mine or a mine operator who voluntarily provides personnel to work a mine not owned by that mine operator will not be held legally responsible for acting or for failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

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### **Persons rendering emergency care, obstetrical services exempt from liability**

Any volunteer engaging in rescue or recovery work at a mine, or any mine operator voluntarily providing personnel to engage in rescue or recovery work at a mine not owned or operated by such operator, shall not be liable for civil damages for acts or omissions resulting from the rendering of such rescue or recovery work in good faith unless such act or omission was the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct.