

Officials: Failed Clamp Caused Rhode Island Circus Acrobats' Plunge

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Edwin Foulke offered insight to an article on Trust.org entitled "Failed Clamp Caused Rhode Island Circus Acrobats' Plunge-Officials."

Officials in Providence, Rhode Island said eight performers plummeted to the floor when a single steel clamp failed during their performance on May 4, 2014.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration is investigating the cause of the collapse. OSHA has six months to investigate the accident and could then issue citations to the company if it finds any legal violations.

"That's a high burden of proof," said Ed. "It would have to show the company knew the equipment that held the performers was faulty, that it failed to perform proper inspections, or that the company violated safety standards accepted throughout the industry."

[Read the full article.](#)

Ed was also quoted in www.oregonherald.com. and *Lincoln Daily News*.

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