

# Roofing Safety PPE Fatality File

## Jose Lema Cited for Numerous Safety Violations

Lema has been cited by OSHA multiple times for violating safety regulations for his workers and the agency had investigated ALJ six times before the New Square death and once after.

Another Lema employee died after a fall on Feb. 27, 2019, when he slipped off the roof of a newly constructed three-story home in Kiamesha Lake, New York. The worker fell 35 feet to the ground and died from his injuries.

OSHA determined the man had not been wearing a safety harness and issued citations to ALJ for, among other things, failure to ensure employees wear fall protection systems. Lema's company agreed to pay a penalty for the violations and the man's death.

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