

**13-901. Special F.E.L.A. voir dire of jurors by court.**

Plaintiff brings this action under a law known as the Federal Employers' Liability Act. The title only identifies the law and does not imply that the defendant railroad is liable.

This case involves . . .

(NOTE: The court will here briefly summarize the facts to state something equivalent to this example:

An accident occurred on \_\_\_\_\_ (*date*) at \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of location*) while the plaintiff [deceased] was an employee of the defendant railroad and was then engaged in \_\_\_\_\_ (*here briefly describe the work that plaintiff or deceased was doing at the time of the accident*).

[The plaintiff in this case is the personal representative of \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of workman*), deceased. The plaintiff brings this action for the benefit of \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of survivors or dependents*)].

At this time I will introduce the parties and their attorneys.

(The court then introduces the plaintiff and his attorneys, followed by the defendant representative and the defense attorneys.

NOTE: At this point, the court will pursue the voir dire examination of jurors as set forth in Chapter 1 concerning the general voir dire of jurors by the court.)

**USE NOTES**

The above portion of voir dire is to supplement the general voir dire under Chapter 1.

The paragraph relating to the personal representative and with reference to the deceased and survivors is only to be used where the injury to the workman resulted in his death.