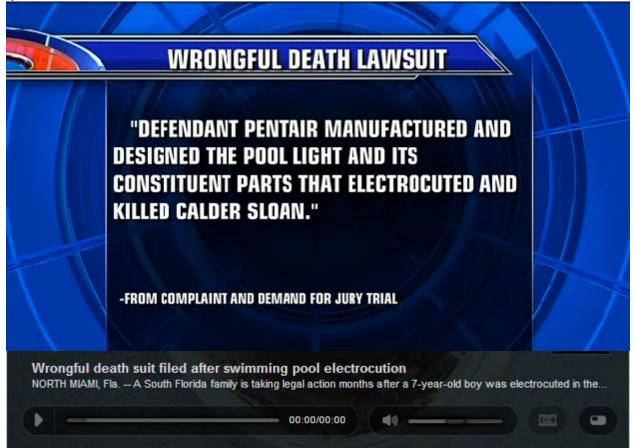


## Wrongful death suit filed after swimming pool electrocution

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NORTH MIAMI, Fla. (WSVN) -- A South Florida family is taking legal action months after a 7-year-old boy was electrocuted in the family swimming pool.

Ever since the unthinkable death of their son, the Sloan family has vowed to devote their lives and their son's memory to protecting other kids and families. Now they've started that process legally.

The victim's father said he wants to prevent this from happening to other families. "So why do we find ourselves here in this ocean of grief and absolute despair?" said Chris

Sloan. "Well, simply, it was all laid down here because of the negligence of these professional services and manufacturers who carelessly failed to do their jobs, whether it was servicing our pool, our electrical systems, whether it was making a product that was designed to be safe. Calder was robbed of his life. He had his whole life ahead of him, and he had amazing potential and probably not for his 77 or 80 years that he would've lived, God willing, but for all those generations he would've impacted."

Calder Sloan died April 13 after being electrocuted in his family's North Miami pool. Back in April, Calder's father told 7News, "We're trying to figure out what people can do to protect themselves because obviously we thought we had done everything," said Chris Sloan. "We have our electrical panels checked, we have our house grounded, we don't use fly-by-night companies."

Companies are being sued for what the family says is a faulty pool light wiring, maintenance and other deficiencies. One of those companies is Pentair Water Pool And Spa.

In the wrongful death lawsuit filed Monday, attorneys for the Sloan family stated: "Defendant Pentair manufactured and designed the pool light and its constituent parts that electrocuted and killed Calder Sloan."

The Sloans and their lawyers are also going after All Florida Pool and Spa Center, and here's why, according to the suit: "Defendant All Florida (pool & spa center) provided weekly cleaning, maintenance and inspection of the pool that Calder Sloan died in."

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