



## **Amador Quintero Jr. lives in Fresno. *But he works in hell.***

Amador Quintero Jr. knows the human cost of working at Angelica Textile Services. For the Quintero family, on-the-job injuries at a company that pushes workers to achieve unrealistic production quotas span the generations.

Amador's mother and father began working at an Angelica Textile Services plant in Los Angeles 18 years ago—their children were left behind in Mexico. By the time Amador, the eldest of four, came to join them in the U.S., his mother had already sustained a serious on-the-job injury. After two years on workers compensation, Angelica fired her. She fought the multi-million dollar company in court and won.

After the Quinteros moved to Fresno and Amador began his own family, he followed his parents to Angelica. Two years ago, he developed a repetitive strain injury in his wrists from unloading and moving carts stacked three-feet high with soiled linen weighing up to 600 pounds. He was placed on light duty—which means he worked four hours a day and received only half his paycheck.

Like many other workers at Angelica plants across the country, Amador decided to live with the pain in order to get back to his regular pay. Now, back at work moving carts, he feels like his hands are going to break if he lifts more than 60 pounds. At home, this means the pain is too much to bear when he picks up his two-year-old daughter.

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