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Without specific [evidence](#) of dependency, adult siblings, particularly those who are married and living independently, are not presumed to be dependents of the deceased for the purpose of compensation.

- Claimants brothers and sisters were older, married, and had their own families.
- Without evidence suggesting otherwise, it is presumed that adult siblings are either self-sufficient and earning, married and integrated into their separate family, or dependent on their own parents, not the deceased.
- Two family registers imply that the victim lived separately
- It is improbable that the siblings depended financially on the victim.

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