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ABOUT

BACOL, led by Dr. Patrick Antoine, was formed in Grenada in 2015 with the main objective of giving British American and CLICO Policyholders, a fair shot at reversing the injustice and ignominy that they have had to endure since the collapse of both entities in 2009.

Policyholders have reported immeasurable negative emotional, physical, professional, reputational and financial impacts as a result of the obliteration of their investments. In some cases, this loss represented entire life savings.

BACOL continues to gain recognition for these victims of this tragedy and travesty, and is today on the cusp of presenting legal arguments before the Caribbean Court of Justice to compel the Government of Trinidad and Tobago to offer the same consideration to policy holders in Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St.Kitts Nevis, St.Lucia and St.Vincent and the Grenadines, as was offered to those from Trinidad and Tobago. (Click here for more).

IMPORTANT STATISTICS

Amount owed to affected policy holders

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Number of affected policy holders

1600

Registered Policyholders to date

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Member States

8



DR PATRICK ANTOINE PRESIDENT OF BACOL

Dr. Patrick Antoine is a renowned Caribbean intellectual and regional thinker with a wealth of experience in both the public and private spheres.

He is well known for his role as former Lead Technical Adviser at the Caribbean Community's Regional Negotiating Machinery (RNM), with reporting responsibilities to the fifteen Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community. He was also CARICOM's Lead Negotiator on Agriculture.

He is a Visiting Lecturer in the Masters in International Trade Policy Programme of University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados, and also serves as:

- Principal Consultant, ECONOTECH Limited.
- Special Advisor to My Finance (Grenada) Limited (MyFi), a micro finance entity in the Eastern Caribbean.
- Lead Consultant, Regional Beverage Alcohol Alliance:
- International Trade Policy Consultant, Caribbean Breweries Association.
- Chairman of Trinidad and Tobago Beverage Alcohol Alliance.



TIMELINES

2015 Launch of BACOL - Grenada

2019 Launch of OECS outreach

2021 Commencement of legal action

Date of Judgement dependent on the Caribbean Court of Justice





LEGAL TEAM AND ADVISORS

BACOL has taken every step to ensure the success of this legal action, and so, has secured the services of an experienced, illustrious team of internationally renowned lawyers.

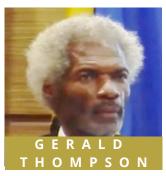


"Simon is а senior commercial and chancery silk who specialises in heavy commercial disputes, civil fraud. insolvency, international arbitration and professional negligence cases both domestically and internationally. He is described as "a first-rate silk" and а "fearless advocate".

A trusted QC and widely acclaimed as a leading silk in civil fraud, insolvency, professional negligence and commercial litigation. Client testimonials cite him as "a leader of choice", "a strong, fearless brilliant advocate" and who "is loved by his clients for his commitment to their cause".



Robert is an experienced and effective advocate with an international practice, specialising in commercial and public law. He has appeared as an advocate many times highest level, the having acted in several appeals to the Privy Council. In the Legal 500, 2021, he is described as "A go-to for Privy Council and Caribbean cases."



Gerald Thompson was a notable Consultant in International Law. He negotiated or drafted myriad treaties and agreements for CARICOM and on behalf of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago.

He was a former Director of Treaties, International Agreements and Legal (Trinidad Division and Counsellor Tobago), (Embassy to the United States) and Alternate Representative (Permanent Mission to the Organisation of American States).

Mr. Thompson is one of the corner stones upon which BACOL was built. Sadly, he passed away on June 8th 2021. We owe him an immeasurable debt of gratitude.



LEGAL TEAM (CONTINUED)



Gregory is a Partner at M. Hamel-Smith & Co. in its and Risk Dispute Management Group where he has a broad range of commercial dispute practice ranging from Admiralty to Tax litigation handling of commercial variety disputes particularly matters involving issues in Admiralty, Construction and Development, Corporate Law & Governance, complex commercial litigation and the environment.

Gregory has been consistently ranked in Chambers Global 2012-2021, and is featured with a No. 3 Ranking the among corporate/commercial Trinidad lawyers in and Tobago



Miguel is an Associate at M. Hamel-Smith & Co. in its and Risk Dispute Management Group where he has a diverse portfolio of matters comprising commercial and company litigation involving issues regarding Corporate and Company law including take-overs and acquisitions, as well as tax advisory and pertaining litigation, cross-border transactions and pricing issues, as well as general taxation issues.



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ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AND INFORMATION

In addition to the list of frequently asked questions on pages 9 - 13, we have made the following resources available:

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WEBSITE

www.bacol.info

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

A risk-free financial arrangement is in place in the 8 member states for Policyholders requiring financial assistance. The case manager in each member country will provide further details.





Here are some quick answers to questions you might have, about how BACOL is pursuing compensation on behalf of all its members. This information is provided to guide you, but is subject to change as circumstances may warrant. For detailed answers to any questions or concerns you might have, please contact your Case Manager.

What is the basis for the case?

When the Government of Trinidad and Tobago (GoRTT) intervened to save the Policyholders and other clients of British American (Trinidad) it acted in a discriminatory manner, given that the Policyholders of British American Insurance Company (BAICO) in the Eastern Caribbean were not included in the settlement arrangements.

The action by the GoRTT resulted in British American Policyholders in Trinidad and Tobago receiving compensation for their investments while British American Policyholders in the Eastern Caribbean countries were not similarly compensated. British American and Colonial Life Insurance Company Limited (BACOL), was formed as a Policyholders group to represent the interest of British American Policyholders in the Eastern Caribbean. BACOL is spearheading the effort for compensation for British American Policyholders in the Eastern Caribbean, that is on par with what has been paid to Policyholders in Trinidad and Tobago.

Who is eligible to participate?

You are eligible to participate if your policy was registered in any of the following territories:

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Dominica
- Grenada
- Montserrat
- St. Lucia
- St. Kitts Nevis
- St. Vincent and the Grenadines



How do I, an affected policyholder, become part of the BACOL legal action?

To join the BACOL action, you are required to make an appointment with the Case Manager (a designated attorney) in the country your policy was registered. The Case Managers for the each BAICO Territory are indicated below:

- · Antigua and Barbuda
- · Dominica
- · Grenada
- · Montserrat
- · St. Lucia
- · St. Vincent and the Grenadines
- · St. Kitts and Nevis

The List of Case managers is also available on the BACOL website, www.bacol.info.

To register with the Case Managers, you will need:

- a) Copies of National Identification
- b) Policy document/Policy page Schedule of Benefits
- c) OR any original document bearing the particular reference to a policy that indicates evidence of a relationship with the BAICO:
- · Acknowledgment of ECCU Relief Payment Policy surrendered
- · Insurance Company Letter of Confirmation of Policy
- · Notice of Maturity of Policy with current policy value



<u>FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS</u>

Receipt of Fund paid to Insurance Company (no policy issued)

- · Insurance Company Statement of Current Fund Value
- · Certificate for Investment
- · Statutory Declaration re Lost or Missing Policy
- · Affidavit of Entitlement to proceeds of policy (lost or missing policy)
- · Notarial Certificate re ownership of Policy
- · Insurance Company Correspondence in acknowledgment of policy (surrendered policy)
- · Evidence of payment to Insurance Company (eg. copy of Bank draft where no policy issued)
- · Other document(s) (describe the document(s))
- d) OR Copy of correspondence or any evidence of payment (copy of cheque, deposit slip etc.) under the BAICO Plan of Arrangements
- e) 4. Other supporting documents:
- Power of Attorney
- Death Certificate for deceased policy holder
- Probate for deceased policy holder's estate
- Letters of Administration for deceased policy holder's estate
- Deed Poll evidencing name change after issue of policy
- Other document(s) e.g. Letter and other correspondence from BAICO.
- f) A Registration Fee of EC\$150 is payable by each policyholder. However, each policyholder pays only one Registration Fee, regardless of how many policies they may have.
- g) Your Scaled Financial Contribution is based on the value of your policy. This contribution covers administrative and other costs related to the filing the case before the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ).
- h) Risk-Free Financing of the Financial Contribution If you cannot afford the Scaled Financial Contribution, your Case Manager can advise you on how to access risk-free financing.



Must I register with BACOL?

As the only legal entity that has continued to pursue this matter, BACOL is the most viable option for achieving fair compensation. BACOL has maintained its interest in pursuing full compensation for Policyholders in the Eastern Caribbean. BACOL has also been relentless in building the evidentiary basis for the launch of a successful case before the CCJ. As it now stands, BACOL is the only entity that has positioned the interest of BAICO Policyholders in a manner which preserves their rights before the Court.

Registration with BACOL is probably therefore the only avenue left, to pursue the recovery of the investments in BAICO.

What happens after I register?

Your Case Manager will be responsible for examining and verifying your claim. Upon verification, the Case Manager will forward your registration to the BACOL Legal Team for inclusion in the legal action before the CCJ (the lawsuit).

The Legal Team will file the case with the CCJ, and a date will be set for the hearing of the 'Application for Special Leave' and for subsequent hearings based on the direction of the Court.

How long will it take to get a decision?

While it is difficult to state precisely how long the CCJ will require to determine this matter, based on other cases presided over by the CCJ, we anticipate that this matter could take between twelve and eighteen months from the date of filing of the claim.



If the judgement is favourable, how soon can I expect to receive payment?

The date of payment will be determined by the CCJ. However, the Court will no doubt understand the urgency of restoring Policyholders' investments. Judging from the arrangements made by the GoRTT for British American Trinidad and Tobago Policyholders, we reasonably expect that the arrangements for payment will take between six to eight months following a favourable judgment.

How will restitution/ compensation be paid?

There are several options available to the Court for the settlement of BAICO Policyholders' investments. Ultimately, the CCJ will make the determination of which mechanism to use and how the arrangements for compensation will be made.

Please visit our website for updates to these FAQs.





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BAICO Policy Holder To Meet

The British American and CLICO Insurance Company Policyholders Group (BACOL) was formed in Grenada in 2013 with the main objective of recovering policyholder's investments from the failed British American and CLICO Insurance Company, their subsidiaries and affiliates.

After its formation, BACOL extended to include membership from Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, St. Kitts and Nevis and St. Vincent and the Grenadines, in addition to the original membership of Grenada.

BACOL has retained an extremely competent Team comprising of eminent Queen's Counsel Mr. Simon Davenport (Head of 3 Hare Court Chambers in London, England) and Senior Counsel Dr. Kenny Anthony (Former PM of St. Lucia), as well as Junior Counsels Mr. Robert Strang and Mr. Raphael Ajodhia, and experienced Trade Ambassador (Ret.) Mr. Gerald Thompson.

The Team will be holding a Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday September 4th at 5:00pm at the Methodist Church Hall to inform Policyholders of their rights within Community law, and to offer guidance on the timeframe for submission of the legal case to the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ).

The concerted hope is that the Meeting will lead to Policyholders from St. Vincent and the Grenadines joining with approximately one thousand (1,000) other Policyholders in approaching the CCJ pursuant to their rights within the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas.

Accordingly, all BACOL Members, as well as policyholders who may not now be Members of BACOL, but would wish to join in this litigation, are invited to attend this important Meeting. (Submission)







Settlements And Legal Action For Policy Holders Of Failed Insurance Companies

Payments in the September 2019 British American Insurance Company Ltd {BAICO} settlements are well underway.

To date approximately 30% of the settlement value allocated to the SVG jurisdiction has been paid out.

Policyholders who have not yet received payments are encouraged to collect cheques or make alternative arrangements for payment as soon as possible.

The appeal was made by Brian Glasgow, Judicial Manager of British American Insurance Company (SVG) Ltd. He advised that settlements of 4% of investment or deposit values are being made in this distribution. "As at this point, we are now able to offer policyholders a total of 14% of their policy value".

Payments and further information can be obtained from the offices of KPMG, First Floor, NIS Building, Kingstown.

Glasgow, speaking at a meeting of The British American and CLICO Policy Holders - BACOL, took the opportunity to urge policy holders to give their support to BACOL's work.



BACOL has retained a legal team which is currently preparing an action to be brought before the Caribbean Court of Justice in its original jurisdiction. The action will be seeking redress for policy holders in the Eastern Caribbean who were discriminated against on the basis of nationality. This refers specifically to the rate of settlement paid to policyholders of the Eastern Caribbean which amounted to significantly less than that paid to policy holders in Trinidad and Tobago.

The meeting, held in St.Vincent and the Grenadines on Wednesday September 4th 2019, was chaired by Dr Patrick Antoine, Chairman of the group, and was addressed by Queen's Counsel Mr. Simon Davenport (Head of 3 Hare Court Chambers in London, England) and Senior Counsel Dr. Kenny Anthony (Former Prime Minister of St. Lucia), both members of BACOL's high powered legal team.

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BACOL, with a current membership of over 1000 is conducting a series of meetings throughout the Eastern Caribbean during the month of September, 2019.







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BAICO, CLICO policyholders planing joint legal action





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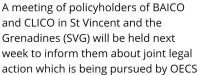


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EC\$30 Million released to British American Insurance Company Ltd policy holders



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From September 2 2019, eligible policy holders of British American Insurance Company Ltd (BAICO) will receive a settlement of 4 % of agreed claims. This follows settlements of 10 % made in 2017.

Brian Glasgow - Partner at KPMG and The Judicial Manager of BAICO last week announced that approximately EC\$30 million is to be released across the Eastern Caribbean to make a further distribution of 4% on agreed Claims making a cumulative total of 14% paid to policy holders to date.

This amount of EC\$30 million was obtained mainly from litigation efforts, and the sale of property including the sale of the British American property in St Vincent and the Grenadines. Glasgow disclosed that policyholders who have not yet collected the first distribution to which they are entitled, will be able to receive the outstanding payment in addition to the payment due in this second distribution.

"In St Vincent and the Grenadines, there are 490 remaining policyholders with EC\$ policies amounting to close to EC\$5 million, and a further 33 policyholders with US\$ policies amounting to just over US\$450,000.00" advised Glasgow. "Policyholders with amounts of EC\$30,000 have already been refunded their deposits, plus interest" he added.

Settlements will be made on the following days by policyholder Surname:

- Monday September 2, 2019 A through D
- Tuesday September 3, 2019 E through J
- Wednesday September 4, 2019 K through O
- Thursday September 5, 2019 P through T
- Friday September 6, 2019 U through Z

Payments will be made at the offices of KPMG, first floor, NIS Building, Kingstown from 9am to 4:30 pm.



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