WHAT YOU AND YOUR CLIENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE

BP SETTLEMENT PROGRAM







THE DEEPWATER HORIZON COURT-SUPERVISED SETTLEMENT PROGRAM IS HELPING FLORIDA RECOVER.

Under the new BP class action settlement, Gulf Coast businesses may be eligible for a portion of the more than \$20 billion that BP has allocated to business and individual economic loss claims. The program has broad applicability across many industries, and all businesses should be evaluated.

ERG is a statewide law firm representing businesses along Florida's west coast that meet financial parameters set out under the terms of the Settlement Program. With a team of lawyers, CPAs and other professionals along the west coast, ERG has the resources and knowledge to ensure your law firm claim, and your clients' claims, are done right and done well.

- "When in Doubt, File A Claim."
- Patrick Juneau, Claims Administrator



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do my clients have potential claims, and how can I best help them?

More than half of your clients may well have valid claims, and being evaluated will offer them peace of mind in knowing for certain whether or not they qualify. Your clients would be well-advised to allow you to refer them to a law firm that is focused solely on this Settlement Program while it lasts, which is currently only until April 22, 2014.

My client's business is not tourism-related. Could there still be a valid claim?

As lawyers, most of us have represented a variety of businesses over the years. Many different types of businesses qualify under this Program - from builders and contractors to dentists, lawyers, and manufacturers - and all should be evaluated. ERG is seeing the trickle-down effect across many industries. But, only those who take the steps to be evaluated will receive compensation.

How does ERG work with referral lawyers?

ERG is a traditional referral firm, and, upon receiving a referral, works directly with the client to make the process as simple and swift as possible. Once evaluated, if the client has a claim, ERG handles the entire process in-house and keeps referral lawyers informed of milestones along the way. We happily pay referral fees, and take our responsibility to your clients seriously.

Does my law firm have a claim?

If your firm resides in one of the claim zones shown in the shaded areas on the map, then you are included in the Settlement Program. In our experience, all manner of law firms are qualifying, regardless of practice area, so it's worth the look. Successfully pursuing claims takes knowledge, and, as this is ERG's sole focus, we are here to help. ERG welcomes the opportunity to work with you, both as a client and co-counsel.



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