



PROFESSIONAL LINES

After The Event Legal Expenses Insurance



WHAT IS IT?

- After the event, or ATE, legal expenses insurance protects against litigation losses that can have an unexpected and profound impact on litigants or their representative law firms.
- Claimants wishing to mitigate the cost of pursuing and losing a claim can purchase a policy.
- This product is particularly relevant to insolvency practitioners or other litigants to alleviate the potential risk of significant, and often detrimental, financial losses.



HOW DOES IT WORK?

If we like the proposed claim we will offer to provide up to HKD \$15 million of ATE cover. Unlike a typical insurance policy the payment of the insurance premium is contingent upon the litigant making a recovery and part of it is deferred until it does. If there is a recovery the litigant will need to pay the remainder of the insurance premium from that recovery and it is limited to the amount of the recovery.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

In order to determine if we're going to provide case cover we need to know the following:

- **MERITS** –the merits of the case and why it is thought the claim will be successful
- **STRATEGY** –the legal arguments that will be deployed and the strategy to rebut the arguments of the defendant
- **BUDGET** – a detailed costs budget
- **DAMAGES** – supporting evidence of the damages claimed
- **ENFORCEMENT** – the plan to recover damages awarded and against what assets

Please note we can only accept applications from brokers or solicitors with the necessary regulatory permissions to make an insurance application on behalf of their client. We do not accept applications from litigants themselves.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Upon receiving the application we will respond within one week, the client then has two weeks to accept the terms. If they do, we will then issue the insurance policy.
- During the course of the case they will be required to keep us up to date with the developments in the case. They will also need to comply with all obligations in the ATE policy.

WHAT IF THE CASE IS UNSUCCESSFUL?

If the litigant has been unsuccessful they would then make a claim under the policy. Provided the evidence submitted to substantiate the claim is complete, a claimant can expect the claim for his own disbursements to be settled within four weeks of the claim being made.

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