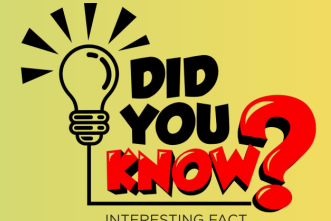


ANGUILLA FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

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NEWSLETTER

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A Message from the Registrar: Embracing Financial Empowerment

October is Financial Information Month (FIM)!

The focus, "Financial Investing: From Savers to Investors," is a call to action for each of us to take the next step on our financial journey
Your Action!!

Start Small, Think Big – Consistency is Key. You don't need a large lump sum to begin your investment journey. The power of regular, consistent investing (even with small amounts) can be transformative over time thanks to compound growth. Set up automatic contributions to make investing a disciplined habit.

Yours Sincerely
T. Lanston Connor

DEADLINE REMINDER



- Quarter 4 Annual Return Filings are due on or before the 31st of December 2025
- Next Strike-off action scheduled for December 2025
- IP Registrants are reminded that the Appropriate Forms and Original Power of Attorney must be submitted before the Mark is advertised in the Official Gazette.

Anguilla: Home of .AI



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Beneficial Ownership Legitimate Access under public consultation to be aligned with international standards.

Registrar of Companies (Compliance Measures) Act

Registrar of Companies (Compliance Measures) Act to be implemented to give the Registrar enforcement powers.

IP

Intellectual Property (IP) Office goes Digital!!!! Be on the look out for 24/7 digital search and filing of IP Applications with new and modernized classes .

FEMM

Anguilla has been recognized as having a Fully Equipped Monitoring Mechanism (FEMM) the Economic Substance regime in compliance with international standards

CRES

Commercial Registry Electronic System (CRES) remains relevant and up to date with Unified Registers for Beneficial Ownership and Corporate Register (with Economic Substance Returns) and Customer Due Diligence, 24/7 Secure access, online payments and authentic certificates. For public searches visit: www.cres.gov.ai

.AI Suffixes

.AI Suffixes available for registration By aligning your .ai domain with a company name using the .ai suffix, you create a unified, professional, and memorable brand identity. This integration of digital and corporate branding enhances the credibility and recognition of the company

ES Guidance

Revised Economic Substance (ES) Guidance published on the 11th June 2025 that outlines the requirements for satisfying the Substance Legislation for all Registry Acts in Anguilla.



INTERESTING FACT
A Pure Equity Holding Company is a company whose primary function is to acquire and hold shares or hold an equitable interest in other companies only and only earns dividends and capital gains. As such only these type of companies can qualify for the reduced ES test!

Understanding Exempt Companies!!!
CRES Business Entity Category (Exempt Company) is defined as:

Companies whose business activities are to be conducted mainly outside the jurisdiction or pursuant to a license under section 147 to carry on business in the jurisdiction: Pursuant to section 138 of the Business Companies Act 2022 (as amended)

NB: These companies are required to upload the exempt declaration with their Annual Return.

An Exempt Company conducting a Relevant Activity means:

- A Relevant Entity that carries on a Relevant Activity is exempt from the economic substance test in relation to the Activity if, and only if-
- the company is centrally managed and controlled or carries on the Relevant Activity in a jurisdiction where the rate at which the company may be charged tax is 10% or higher;
- the company is resident for tax purposes in that jurisdiction; and
- the company files with the Registrar evidence of its tax residence in that jurisdiction and that an appropriate tax return has been submitted to the relevant tax authority of that jurisdiction in relation to the Relevant Activity.

NB: These category of companies must file their ES Return and declaration together with their Annual Return