ANSWERS TO CHARTERED ORGANIZATION QUESTIONS REGARDING THE BSA’S BANKRUPTCY

Some BSA chartered organizations have issued guidance and posed questions about the BSA’s bankruptcy. Here are some responses to the most frequently asked questions:

- The BSA’s filed bankruptcy to equitably compensate victims of historical abuse in Scouting and to preserve the mission of Scouting.
- Over 90% of the claims asserted predate 1990. The BSA’s highly effective youth protection program has made Scouting today safer than ever – at a time when America needs Scouting more than ever.
- Chartered organizations have been insured under BSA’s insurance program since at least 1978.
- BSA will not have complete details on claims until probably several weeks after the November 16 bar date – at this time we do not know what units or chartered organizations may be involved.
- All chartered organizations received communications from Omni Agency Solutions, including proof of claims forms for the chartered organization. Additional information is available at www.officialbsaclaims.com.
- Additional information regarding the BSA’s restructuring can be found at www.bsarestructuring.org.
- Filing a proof of claim form preserves the organization’s rights with respect to any asserted against the organization in connection with the Scouting program.
- The BSA encourages chartered organizations to file proof of claims forms in a timely manner to protect the organization’s rights.
- The mediators in the bankruptcy case have asked for chartered organization representatives to contact them regarding the mediation, victims’ trust and channeling injunction to protect against historical claims.
- The BSA has asked a few larger chartered organizations to consider forming an ad hoc committee to monitor and participate in the bankruptcy process so that accurate information can be independently obtained and shared.

This information may be shared with chartered organizations.