Application, Examination, Appeal Process (Cont’d)

• The CICB Board will make a decision as to whether your claim meets the statutory requirements for the award of a claim.

• You will be notified of the Board’s tentative decision.
  ◊ If you disagree with the Board’s decision, you will have 15 days to appeal in writing to the CICB.
  ◊ If you appeal the decision, the Board will hold an administrative hearing.

• Upon expiration of the 15 day period to appeal, your claim will be sent to the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for a final approval.

• Once the claim is awarded, it will be processed for payment. If the claim is denied you may appeal to your local Circuit Court within 30 days.

• You may be represented by an attorney at any stage of the process.

Victim/claimants must submit a completed and signed application to the CICB either by mail or FAX to:

Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (CICB)
6776 Reisterstown Road, Suite 206
Baltimore, MD 21215-2340
Phone: (410) 585-3010 or Toll Free: 1 (888) 679-9347
FAX: (410) 764-3815

CICB website: www.dpscs.state.md.us/victimserv/cicb

Online CICB Application/Claim Form:
dpscs.state.md.us/cicb/CICB-Application-english-online.pdf

“Thank you for giving us hope when we least expected it.”
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If you or members of your family have been the victim of a crime, you may be eligible for assistance.

Resource Guide

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