

Life Insurance Interpleader Lawsuits Can Be Scary. Legal Help Is Available.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL, UNITED STATES, October 14, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Law Offices of Jason Turchin, a Florida life insurance dispute law firm, is providing guidance to people who have been served with an interpleader lawsuit over life insurance proceeds.

An interpleader can arise when an insurer receives competing claims to the same death benefit and asks a court to decide who should receive the money rather than choosing between claimants. Because an interpleader complaint is a lawsuit and not merely a claim form, the summons and court rules may set a deadline to respond, and failing to participate could have serious consequences.

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"Many people assume that being the named beneficiary settles the matter, but once the proceeds are deposited with the court, the real question becomes who is legally entitled to that money," said Jason Turchin, Esq., a life insurance attorney. "If you are served, read the papers carefully, note your deadline, and consider getting legal advice before you talk at length with anyone making a competing claim."

Steps to Take After Being Served

1. Read the complaint and summons carefully - The complaint may reveal who is making the competing claim and offer some explanation of the dispute.
2. Note the response deadline - A court may potentially enter a default or proceed without a



claimant who does not properly respond.

3. Assert claim to the proceeds - A response may need to address the complaint's allegations and state claimed right to the funds. Additional claims or defenses may also be appropriate.

4. Preserve evidence - Deleting messages or discarding documents could make it harder to establish what happened.

5. Be careful with competing claimants - Consider obtaining legal advice before communicating extensively with another claimant or filing a response.

Why a Beneficiary Designation May Be Challenged

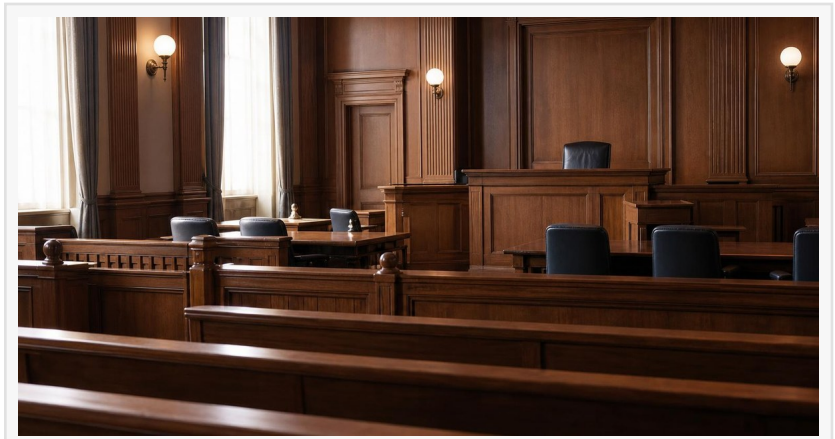
A current beneficiary designation can be powerful evidence of the insured's intent, but it may not resolve every dispute. In a [life insurance beneficiary challenge](#), another claimant might argue:

- Lack of capacity - The insured lacked sufficient mental capacity when the change was made.
- Undue influence - A beneficiary pressured a vulnerable insured into changing the policy.
- Fraud or forgery - The insured never signed or authorized the change.
- Power of attorney misuse - An agent exceeded their authority in changing the beneficiary.
- Divorce - State law, federal law, or a divorce judgment affected a former spouse's rights.
- Slayer statute - The beneficiary may be disqualified for intentionally causing the insured's death.

The named beneficiary may have defenses to each of these allegations, and the outcome can depend on the policy, the forms, the governing law, and the evidence.

How Interpleader Cases Can Be Resolved

Useful evidence can include the full policy, current and prior beneficiary forms, electronic change records, medical records, estate planning documents, divorce papers, and texts or emails.



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Discovery, such as document requests, subpoenas, and depositions, may help a claimant obtain records they do not yet have.

Once the insurer deposits the proceeds, the [competing claimants dispute](#) may be resolved by agreement, by motion if the key facts are undisputed, or at trial if material facts remain contested. More detail is available in the firm's guide on whether one can [fight a life insurance interpleader lawsuit](#).

"The money being deposited with the court does not mean you have lost your claim, and it does not mean you have won it either," adds Turchin.

Contact the Law Offices of Jason Turchin

For more information on a life insurance interpleader lawsuit, call the Law Offices of Jason Turchin at (800) 337-7755 or visit www.jasonturchin.com for a free consultation.

About the Law Offices of Jason Turchin

The firm represents individuals in life insurance claims, beneficiary disputes, interpleader litigation, and personal injury matters throughout Florida and nationwide. Jason Turchin, Esq. is AV-Rated and has been featured in CBS Evening News, Forbes, and Rolling Stone for his work advocating for injury victims.

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