

Long-term residents aren't treated very well in the Cayman Islands!

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As a non-Caymanian the police will usually not protect you, and immigration will be after you at every turn. Case in point:

A personal acquaintance has resided here for over 15 years and has been married to a Cayman-aniac for over 10 of those years. This person's home was "raided" by Immigration over a month ago and much personal property, equipment and CASH taken. He has received no receipt for anything taken to date! During the search, he was assaulted and injured by the officers involved. I have seen the injuries and the medical report and have copies of the report in my possession. A video of the assault was recorded by surveillance equipment installed in the home after 3 unsolved burglaries.

This individual has been active in volunteer organizations and cultural preservation groups for all of those 15 years and has done nothing to harm the Cayman Islands in any way. In fact his volunteer efforts have done much good for the youth of the country.

If this is the way justice and fairness is administered in Cayman, then there is no such thing. Under current law, a spouse of a Caymanian has no inherent right to LIVE WITH THEIR SPOUSE! Unless named in a government contract or registered either as a Permanent Resident or Status holder, there is NO right to reside in the Cayman Islands. There are substantial fees and strict requirements to be met to attain these. A "PMC" (Person Married to Caymanian) has in effect no legal standing in the country. In this case, you are simply a "VISITOR" and have to apply for "additional time" at Immigration every 60-90 days! This circumstance is not highly conducive to stable family life in a marriage relationship. Such is the lot of a foreign spouse married to a Caymanian.

Fairness, equity, rule of law? Not in the Cayman Islands!

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