Puerto Rico: Getting the Acts Together

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Puerto Rico is a special place

Inside U.S. Law





Outside Federal Tax





Puerto Rico has Best-in-Class Regulation

Banking





Insurance





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Puerto Rico Special Status Enables the Acts

- Act 20: Export Services
- Act 22: Individual Investors
- Act 74: Tourism Development
- Act 83: Renewable Energy
- Act 185: Private Equity Funds
- Act 273: International Financial Services
- Act 399: International Insurance

The Acts Work Better Together

- People hold Act 22 Grants
- Act 22 → 0% Tax on Puerto Rico investment income

- Companies hold Grants: 20 / 185 / 273 / 399 etc.
- Companies generate <u>Puerto Rico</u> investment income

What is the Result?

"Puerto Rico's incentive programs offer
the <u>lowest</u> combined
personal and business tax rate
possible for United States taxpayers"

What about my "foreign" shareholders?

Moving your company to Puerto Rico can benefit shareholders everywhere, but keep in mind:

- I. CFC or "Controlled Foreign Corporation" tax
- 2. PFIC or "Passive Foreign Investment Company" tax
- 3. **BEPS** or "Base Erosion and Profit Shifting" taxes

What's the Catch?

Incentive programs need to create jobs in Puerto Rico:

- Companies have to set up operations
- People must establish bona fide residence
- Warning: don't try to fake it!





Who Can Help?

Information about Puerto Rico is readily available:

- Law firms with <u>local Puerto Rico experts</u>
- Accounting firms <u>local</u> branches of majors, others
- Consultants local specialists
- Puerto Rico government DDEC, PRIDCO etc.
- Industry Associations: PRIIA and PRIBA

Should I Make the Move?

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ACT 399

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ACT 273

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ACT 20









ACT 22

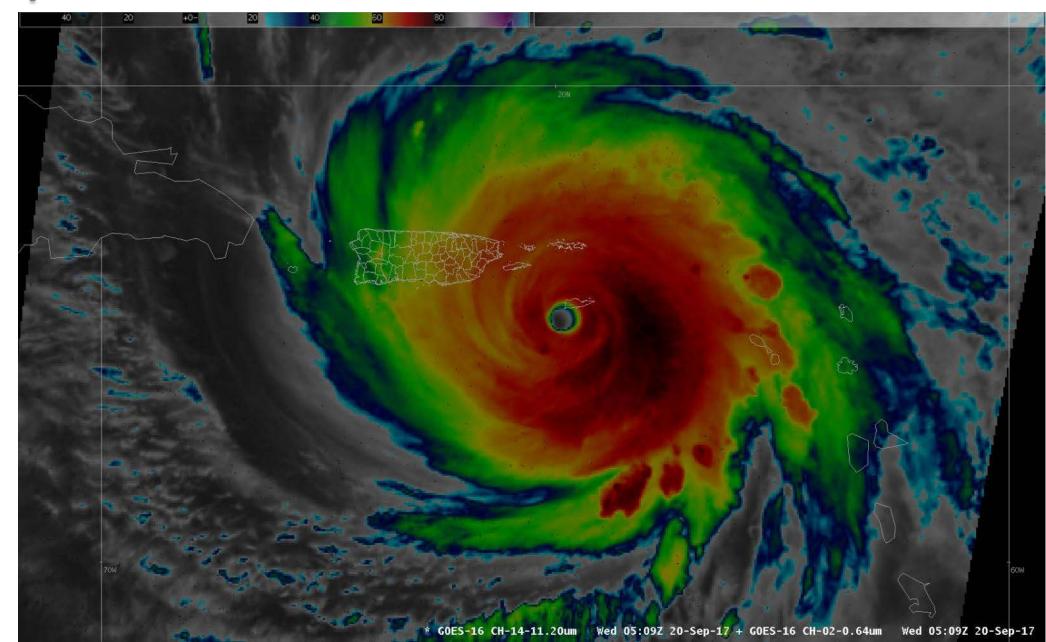
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Advantage Insurance's Puerto Rico Timeline:

- 1993: Company founded outside of United States
- 2001: Expanded to United States
- 2009: Licensed in Puerto Rico (no employees)
- 2014: Initial review of Puerto Rico's incentive plans
- 2015: Hired first Puerto Rico employee
- 2016: Relocated Headquarters to Puerto Rico
- 2017: 26 PR Employees, filed IPO

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September 25, 2017:

