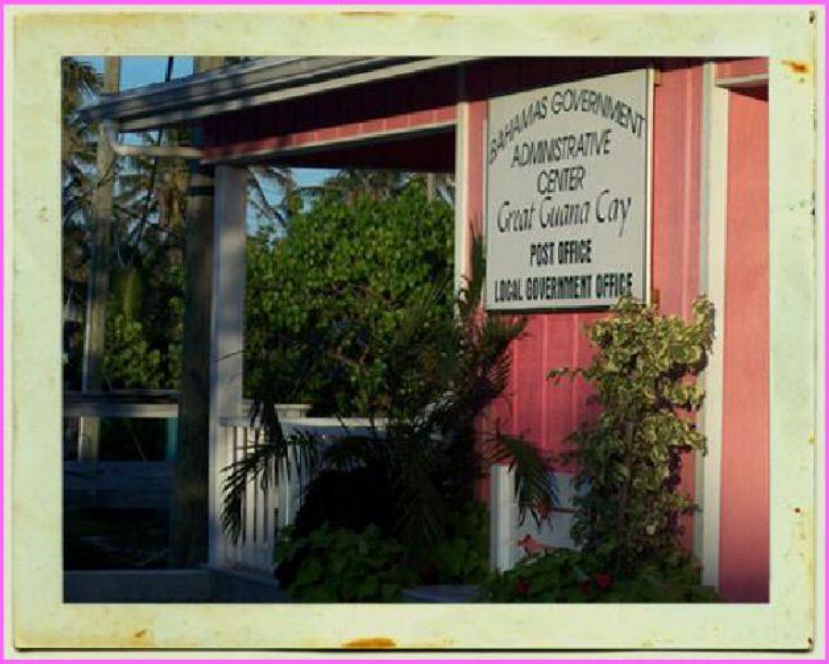
The Family Island Administrator

The Bahamas is made up of hundreds of islands and cays. It is hard for the government officers in New Providence to watch over things in other islands.

This is why the government appoints an **Administrator** to look after each island.

The only island without an Administrator is New Providence. The old name for an Administrator was a Commissioner. There have been Commissioners and Administrators for over 150 years.

Sometimes an Administrator looks after more than one island.



The Administrator has important duties.

The Administrator records all the births, marriages and deaths.

The Administrator is a Justice of the Peace. That means that he or she helps to decide how wrong-doers should be punished for their crimes.

The Administrator checks how government money is used for docks, roads and buildings.

The Administrator is also the secretary to the Local Government Board.

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