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1. BANKING LAW

1.1. Letter of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation dd. 25.02.2011 increasing refinancing rate of the Central Bank by 0,25% to 8% per annum.

2. TAX LAW

- 2.1 Federal Tax Service of the Russian Federation statement dd. 09.02.2011 "On content of complaint submitted to tax authorities" recommends which kind of information should be included in a complaint to decision on calling to responsibility for tax offence.
- 2.2 Federal Tax Service of the Russian Federation statement dd. 15.02.2011 "On documents which should be enclosed to complaint submitted to tax authorities" concerning the order of drawing up the complaints submitted to tax authorities.

3. PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

- 3.1. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 07.02.2011 No. 3 "On police", which defines purposes of police, main areas and principles of its activity, rights and obligations of police officers as well as procedures of supervision their activities.
- 3.2. Decree of the President of the Russian Federation dd. 01.02.2011 No. 248 "Questions of the Interior Ministry of the Russian Federation" adopted in connection with reorganisation of the Interior Ministry.
- 3.3. Decree of the President of the Russian Federation dd. 09.02.2011 No. 167 "On public discussions of federal constitutional and federal laws drafts" which states that drafts of federal constitutional and federal laws concerning main directions of state policy in the area of social and economy development of the country may be put for public consideration.

4. CRIMINAL LAW

- 4.1. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 07.02.2011 No. 5-Φ3 "On alteration of Art. 117 of Criminal executive code of the Russian Federation" which relates to procedure of serving a sentence in prison.
- 4.2. Decision of the Plenum of the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation dd. 01.02.2011 No. 1 "On court practice of application of legislation regulating certain aspects of criminal responsibility and punishment of minors" clarifying certain aspects of criminal responsibility and punishment of minors.

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5. COURT SYSTEM

- 5.1. Federal Constitutional Law of the Russian Federation dd. 07.02.2011 No. 1-ΦK3 "On courts of general jurisdiction in the Russian Federation" which constitutes the system of courts of general jurisdiction, procedure of their establishing and elimination, principles of their activity as well as their competence with regard to introduction of appeals instance in courts of all levels.
- 5.2. Federal Constitutional Law of the Russian Federation dd. 07.02.2011 No. 2-ΦK3 "On alteration of Federal Constitutional Law "On military courts in the Russian Federation" which constitutes unique for all military courts procedure of control for decisions not coming into effect in criminal and civil cases.
- 5.3. Letter of the High Arbitration court of the Russian Federation dd. 07.02.2011 No. BAC-CO3/УЧП-175 related to the rules of charging of credit interests to register and currents obligations.

6. EXECUTION OF JUDICIAL ACTS

6.1. Recommendations on usage of Internet for the purposes of search of information on debtors and their assets (worked out and approved by the Federal Service of Executive Officers of the Russian Federation) which defines general methods of search of debtors and their assets using Internet.

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