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## News Bulletin

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## News of the month:

### 1. BANKING LAW

- 1.1. Information of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation dd. 30.05.2011: Refinancing rate increased to 8,25 per cent per annum on 03.05.2011 shall not be changed.

### 2. STATE BODIES

- 2.1 Decree of the President of the Russian Federation dd. 24.05.2011 No. 673 "On Federal Service in the area of intellectual property".
- 2.2 Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation dd. 10.05.2011 No. 356 "On refugee identity card".
- 2.3 Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation dd. 27.05.2011 No. 424 "On machine-readable record in passport of the citizen of the Russian Federation" which provides issue of passports of the citizen of the Russian Federation with machine-readable record containing information on passport holder since 01.07.2011.
- 2.4 Order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Russian Federation dd. 18.04.2011 No. 206 "On introduction of international driving license" which introduces new form of international driving license due to amendments to Convention on Road Traffic dd. 08.11.1968.

### 3. CIVIL LAW

- 3.1. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 04.05.2011 No. 98-Φ3 "On amendments to certain legislative acts of the Russian Federation" which defines that for the period till coming into force of judicial act on localization of place of residence of children the court is entitled to define such place of residence by demand of one or two parents.
- 3.2. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 04.05.2011 No. 99-Φ3 "On licensing of certain kinds of activities" which simplifies the system of licensing, determines 49 kinds of activity that must be licensed, and introduces notifying procedure for other kinds of activity. Unified procedure of license issuance is introduced.

### 4. COURT SYSTEM

- 4.1. Decision of the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation dd. 12.05.2011 No. 7-Π Re: On examination the constitutionality of Art. 15(1) and 164(1) of Customs Code of the Russian Federation in connection with Mr. V.V. Kostenko's claim which protects the rights of bona fide purchasers of goods not cleared by the customs.



- 4.2. Decision of the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation dd. 17.05.2011 No. 8-П Re: On examination the constitutionality of certain provisions of Art. 18 of the Federal Law “On military men status”, Art. 5 of the Federal Law “On obligatory state insurance of life and health of military men...” and Art. 1084 of the Civil code of the Russian Federation in connection with claims of Mr. A.P. Kuzmenko and A.V. Solovyev and request of Izerbash city court of the Respublic of Dagestan” which recognized unconstitutional certain provisions of legislation providing pecuniary compensation to military men in case of impossibility of military service continuation due to severe injury in less amount as if they had earned during their service.
- 4.3. Decision of the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation dd. 26.05.2011 No. 10-П. Re: On examination the constitutionality of certain provisions of Art. 18(1) of the Civil code of the Russian Federation, Art. 1(2) of Federal Law “On courts of arbitration in the Russian Federation”, Art. 28 of Federal Law “On state registration of rights on immovable property and of bargains with it”, Art. 33(1) and 51 of Federal Law “On mortgage of immovable property” in connection with request of the High Arbitration Court of the Russian Federation” where Constitutional Court recognized the possibility of courts of arbitration to examine disputes which entail transfer of property rights on immovable property.
- 4.4. Resolution of the High Arbitration Court Plenum of the Russian Federation dd. 12.05.2011 No. 32 “On permanent place of stay of the Federal Arbitration Court of Central district” which carries permanent place of stay of the court from Bryask to Kaluga in term specified by the High Arbitration Court Plenum.

## 5. CRIMINAL LAW

- 5.1. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 03.05.2011 No. 96-ФЗ “On alteration of Federal Law “On counteraction of terrorism” which establishes several levels of terroristic threat.
- 5.2. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 03.05.2011 No. 95-ФЗ “On alteration of Art. 377 and 407 of Criminal Procedural Code of the Russian Federation” which states that protocol of court proceedings must be recorded in courts of cassation and supervising instances.
- 5.3. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 04.05.2011 No. 97-ФЗ “On alteration of certain provisions of Criminal Code of the Russian Federation and Code of Administrative offenses of the Russian Federation due to improvement of state administration in the area of counteraction of corruption” which establishes multiple fines for bribes.

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## **6. INTERNATIONAL LAW**

- 6.1. Federal Law of the Russian Federation dd. 03.05.2011 No. 82-Φ3 “On ratification of the Court of Eurasian Economic Community Statute”. The Court is located in the city of Minsk. The statute defines its structure, composition and procedure of appointment and competence of judges.

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