



Corporate Client e-Newsletter

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- * Reasonable fees
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International Business

TURKEY

Recent Development on Turkish Legislation Regarding Implementation of the Cape Town Convention

By: [Serap Zuvun Law Offices](#)

Istanbul, Turkey

The Republic of Turkey ("Turkey") signed the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment ("Convention") and the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment ("Protocol"), namely, Cape Town Convention ("CTC") on November 16, 2001 and the Convention and the Protocol came into force in Turkey on December 1, 2011.

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MEXICO

The First Automotive University in Mexico

By: [Cacheaux Cavazos & Newton](#)

Mexico City, Mexico

The automotive industry is so important in Mexico that the country's first automotive university is set to be constructed in Queretaro, a major city located two and a half hours north of Mexico City.

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TURKEY

Obtaining Work Permits In Turkey For Foreigners

By: Serap Zuvin Law Offices

Istanbul, Turkey

Can everyone practise their profession in Turkey? Foreigners who would want to work and practice their professions in Turkey must obtain a work permit under the Law on Work Permits for Foreigners ("Work Permits Law")[1]. This being the case, certain professions such as being a dentist, pharmacist etc. can only be practised by Turkish citizens. So, one can not deny the fact that foreigners can freely practice their professions in Turkey but of course by complying the legal requirements and procedures of Turkish law.

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INDIA

India-Union Budget 2014-15: An Insight

By: Seth Dua & Associates

New Delhi, India

1.1.1. Changes in effective tax rates

Basic income tax exemption limit for individuals has been increased to INR 2,50,000 from INR 2,00,000.

Further, basic income tax exemption limit for senior citizens (sixty years or more but less than eighty years) has been increased to INR 3,00,000 from INR 2,50,000.

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TURKEY

Electronic Meetings held by Corporations in Turkey

By: Serap Zuvin Law Offices

Istanbul, Turkey

Turkey has also taken its part in the global innovative trends of the business world and the means of holding electronic meetings for the general assemblies and the board of directors have been introduced into the legislative system.

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Estate Planning

USA

Expensive Mistakes From Do-It-Yourself Estate Planning

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The internet and television have numerous ads for pre-printed estate planning forms, such as wills, powers of attorney, etc. Sometimes, such forms may be specific to a particular state, sometimes they may not. The selling point of such forms is that you can complete them yourself, often "in the privacy of your own home", and with less cost than if you were to consult a lawyer. While the lower cost may be true in the short run, it may much more expensive in the long run. Use of the form may also not give you the results you intended. A recent case from Florida is a good example.

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Insurance Coverage

USA

Great Expectations

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In *Transport Ins. Co. v. Superior Court*, the California District Court of Appeal held that because the additional insured was the party seeking coverage, ambiguities found in the insurance policy had to be resolved in a

manner consistent with the objectively reasonable expectations of the additional insured-rather than the objectively reasonable expectations of the named insured. 222 Cal.App.4th 1216 (2014).

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Upcoming Webinars & Primerus Events

2014 Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith Seminar

Sept 18-19 2014,
Sofitel Chicago Water Tower
Chicago, IL

Topics Covered

Professional Liability, Ethics, Multi-Claim/Multi-Insurance Layer Issues, Reservation of Rights, Estoppel, Allocation of Defense Costs, Employment Liability, and more.

Who Should Attend

In House Counsel, Risk Management Professionals, Business Owners, Insurance Professionals, and Legal Professionals

To Register: e-mail Chad Sluss at csluss@primerus.com

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