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government municipality  
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pursuing claims for  
prolongation costs arising  
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# **town planning approvals, and utility connections.**

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# **Counseling a UAE contractor on the strategic appointment of a Dispute Adjudication Board to resolve multi-faceted delay claims involving statutory authority approvals and material submittals.**

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# **Representation of a leading UAE real estate developer before the Tax Dispute**

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## **Objection proceedings against**

**the Federal Tax Authority concerning the imposition of standard-rated VAT on the sale of units designated as 'hotel apartments', arguing that the absence of active hotel licenses and services at the time of supply qualifies the units as residential buildings eligible for the 0% VAT rate.**

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Objection proceedings against the Federal Tax Authority concerning the imposition of standard-rated VAT on the sale of units designated as 'hotel apartments', arguing that the absence of active hotel licenses and services at the time of supply qualifies the units as residential buildings eligible for the 0% VAT rate.

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**Advising a Dubai-based developer on a dispute regarding the VAT treatment of mixed-use properties, distinguishing between commercial hotel operations and residential living by leveraging utility billing classifications and Land Department registrations to refute the Authority's commercial characterization.**

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# **Litigation against the Federal Tax Authority regarding the recovery of input VAT on construction costs and the annulment of fines imposed due to the Authority's procedural errors and conflicting directions.**

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## **Representation of a major UAE real estate developer before the Tax Dispute Resolution Committee contesting the**

# **retroactive application of VAT to commercial property installments paid prior to the VAT Law's effective date.**

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