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**Judicial review proceedings regarding the mitigation of percentage-based tax penalties from 40% to 5%**

**where the delay in payment was attributed to the Authority's approval processes and the tax was previously declared by the surviving entity.**

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**Federal Court proceedings under UAE VAT legislation between a government-owned utility provider and the Federal Tax Authority**

**regarding the imposition of AED 114 million in penalties following a retroactive tariff reduction mandated by the Supreme Committee for Water and Electricity.**

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**submitted to correct invoice formats (from tax invoices to credit notes) where the underlying tax liability had been fully settled.**

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**Federal Supreme Court  
proceedings under UAE VAT  
legislation between a  
multinational commodities  
trader and the Federal Tax  
Authority regarding the VAT**

# **treatment of goods transfers from Jebel Ali Free Zone to DMCC.**

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Federal Supreme Court proceedings under UAE VAT legislation between a multinational commodities trader and the Federal Tax Authority regarding the VAT treatment of goods transfers from Jebel Ali Free Zone to DMCC.

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# **Cassation appeal before the UAE Supreme Court regarding the imposition of retrospective late payment penalties on voluntary disclosures submitted to correct historical VAT returns.**

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returns.

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# **Federal Supreme Court proceedings under UAE Excise Tax legislation between a tobacco manufacturer and the Federal Tax Authority regarding the taxability of hazardous industrial waste and byproducts generated within a Designated Zone.**

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**Strategic tax litigation for a Jebel Ali Free Zone entity challenging the classification of tobacco dust as 'excise goods' released for consumption under Article 12 of the Executive Regulations and the imposition of tax on manufacturing deficiencies.**

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# **UAE Supreme Court contesting the expert's interpretation of 'excise goods' versus 'industrial refuse' and the rejection of international comparative law standards regarding non-consumable manufacturing waste.**

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