



# Newsletter

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### WE ARE MOVING TO NEW OFFICES

As of 2 March 2006 Prior & Prior Attorneys will be occupying new offices at the First Floor, Nedbank Building, 82 Brand Road, Glenwood, Durban.

To our clients this will mean easy access from the main routes as well as ample secure parking in the Davenport business district.

Since 2004 the Practice has increased in size, necessitating acquiring additional office space.

We now also attend to property transfers, bond registrations, estate planning and the administration of deceased estates.

### TRANSFER DUTY REDUCED

The Minister of Finance substantially reduced the transfer duty payable on the registration of the transfer of immovable property from 1 March 2006.

Property bought for R500 000 or less will attract no transfer duty.

On properties priced between R500 001 and R1 000 000 transfer duty will be calculated at 5%. A total of R25 000 on a property of R1 00 000.

Properties priced at R1 000 001 and more will attract 8 % transfer duty for the portion over R1 000 000 plus R25 000.

The transfer duty payable by legal persona such as companies, close corporations and trusts has been reduced by 2%. Legal persons will now pay a flat rate of 8% transfer duty.

VAT remains the same at 14%. Where the Seller is a registered VAT vendor and the sale is a taxable supply, VAT rather than transfer duty is levied on the transaction.

**INCREASED CGT REBATE**  
The rebates for Capital Gains Tax on the primary residence has been increased from R1 000 000 to R1 500 000 as of 1 March 2006.