Türkiye Legal Update

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Turkish Color of the Month

Born in Elazığ on the east of Türkiye, Saim Dursun, depicts, with the warm liveliness of light and color on his spatula, the true Anatolian picture uncovering the strong willpower of Turkish people and their joy of life despite hardship. Painter Saim Dursun passed away in August 13, 2021 at the age of 62.

By Saim Dursun ©

Making Payments in Turkish Lira in Movable Sale Contracts Has Become Mandatory

Corporate and M&A

By Görkem Bilgin and Cansu Akbıyıklı

Latest status of the regulations regarding the protection of the value of the Turkish currency and foreign currency transaction prohibitions.

News and Events

The IBA World Life Sciences Conference 2022

Özge Karakulak, co-chair of the IP and Entertainment Law Committee of IBA, will be the co-chair of the conference and will share her experiences at one of the sessions on Jun 4.

The Legal 500 EMEA 2022 Results Announced

We are proud to have the “Top Tier” rankings in 3 out of 9 practice areas we are ranked by The Legal 500 and delighted that our 8 lawyers are listed in their practice areas.

Webinar: World IP Day - IP and Youth: Innovating for a Better Future – Trademarks and Copyrights Perspective

Please click to watch the fireside chat between Uğur Aktekin and Ashli Weiss Uğurlu.

Webinar: World IP Day - Access to Medicine, Compulsory Licensing and Protection of Patent Rights

Aysel Korkmaz Yatkın, Selin Sinem Erciyas and Camilla Balleny of Carpmaels & Ransford shared insights at the webinar.

Constitutional Court’s Last Judgement on Inspection of Employees' Correspondences

Employment

By Beril Yayla Sapan and Kardelen Dorken

Recently, the Constitutional Court ruled that employer's obtaining of the contents of WhatsApp, which the applicant had installed on his computer for private use, violated the right to privacy and the freedom of communication.

The Advertisement Board Now Has the Authority to Block Access to the Online Content Violating the Advertising Rules

Technology, Media and Telecom

By Hande Hançar and Baran Güney

Legal rules relating to sanctions against unfair commercial advertisements set forth by the Consumer Protection Law were amended. The Advertisement Board is authorized to block access in case of violation on the internet.

Determination of Royalty in Case of Compulsory License

Intellectual Property, Patents and Utility Models , IP Prosecution

By Selin Sinem Erciyas

The fact that the compulsory licenses must be granted in return to a royalty, calculated “taking into account the economic value of the patent” and not for free or at rates far below actual license fees; may decrease tactical use of such mechanism.

Similarity of Short Trademarks: Patent and Trademark Office Deviates From Practice in Groundbreaking Decision

Intellectual Property, Trademarks and Designs , IP Prosecution

By Zeynep Seda Alhas and Baran Güney

Turkish Patent and Trademark Office recently conducted comprehensive evaluation in terms of similarity of short trademarks, adopted broader approach focusing its examination on the stylization of the earlier trademarks and the possibility of creating a serial trademarks perception.

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