

## Turkey Legal Update

### Turkish Color of the Month

Born in Elazığ on the east of Turkey, 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 ©

### A Practical Overview of Disclosure of Trade Secret as a Criminal Offense

Business Crimes and Anti-Corruption  
By Asena Aytuğ Keser and Kardelen Özden

This article aims to provide a practical overview of disclosure of trade secret as a criminal offense.

#### News and Events

**The Legal 500 Private Practice Powerlist 2023 - Dispute Resolution – Türkiye**

Mehmet Gün, Aysel Korkmaz Yatkın, Beril Yayla Sapan and Asena Aytuğ Keser have been listed in The Legal 500 Private Practice Powerlist 2023 - Dispute Resolution – Türkiye.

**IAM Strategy 300: The World's Leading IP Strategists 2023**

Mehmet Gün, our founding partner, is listed in IAM Strategy 300: The World's Leading IP Strategists 2023.

**MIP IP STARS 2023**

Dilan Sıla Kayalıcı, Maral Büyükkürkçü and Zeynep Çağla Üstün, are listed as Rising Star by Euromoney's MIP IP STARS 2023

### Minority Shareholders' Rights in Joint Stock Companies

Corporate and M&A  
By Görkem Bilgin and Seda Takmaz

As regulated under the Turkish Commercial Code, in order to maintain the balance of interests between majority and minority shareholders, the rights granted to minority shareholders provide them with the opportunity to question and monitor the decisions taken by the majority management.

### Work Bearing The Characteristics of Its Author - "Selvi Boylum Al Yazmalım"

Copyrights  
By Hande Hançar and Elif Melis Özsoy

A recent Supreme Court decision provides guidance on copyright issues, specifically addressing originality of works, ownership rights, and transfers of rights for cinematographic works produced pre-1995, while raising questions about protection of distinctive signs in copyrightable works.

### Turkish Court of Cassation's Comparison of Goods in Different Subclasses

Intellectual Property, Trademarks and Designs , Life Sciences  
By Dicle Doğan and Ayşenur Çıtak Bozdağ

In light of the recent Court of Cassation decisions, it is seen that the nature of the goods in different subclasses should be considered for likelihood of confusion examination since informed consumers are not targeted by all the goods listed in class 05.

### Dilution of Well-known Mark and Applicant's Bad Faith: PTO Issues Exemplary Decision

Trademarks and Designs , Intellectual Property  
By Mutlu Yıldırım Köse and Merve Çimen Sevine

PTO granted broader protection to the well-known SINGER mark and concluded that the application including the term 'Singer' in Class 01, with similar word and graphic elements, dilutes well-known trademark and it was filed in bad faith.



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