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Professional Experience

Special Legal Consultant, CAS Global Consulting, Washington, D.C., USA, 2024 – Present.

Foreign Legal Consultant, CAS Global Consulting, MA, USA, 2017 – 2023.

Attorney, Akkayan & Yildirim Attorney Partnership, Istanbul, Turkey, 2017 – Present.

Visiting Scholar, Boston University School of Law, Boston, MA, 2016 – 2017.

Assistant Professor of Civil Law, Faculty of Law, Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey, 2009 – 2016.

Research and Teaching Assistant of Civil Law, Faculty of Law, Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey, 2002 – 2008.

Research and Teaching Assistant of Civil Law, Faculty of Law, Dokuz Eylül University, Izmir, Turkey, 2000 – 2002.

Clerkship, Istanbul Court of Justice, Istanbul, Turkey, 1998 – 1999.

Education

Ph.D. in Private Law (*Civil Law System*), Social Sciences Institute, Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey, 2002 – 2008.

LL.M. in American Law, School of Law, Boston University, Boston, MA, 1999 – 2000.

LL.B., Faculty of Law, Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey, 1993 – 1997 (Ranking %2).

Scholarships

Research Scholarship of the Max Planck Gesellschaft, Hamburg, Germany, Jan. - Mar. 2007.

Research Scholarship of the Max Planck Gesellschaft, Hamburg, Germany, Jan. - Mar. 2005.

Research Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Heidelberg, Germany, Summer 2002.

Graduate Study Scholarship of Turkish Ministry of National Education (*for LL.M. studies at Boston University*), 1999 – 2000.

Practice Areas

Contracts/Comparative Contracts, International Business Transactions, Commercial Disputes – Arbitration, Commercial Disputes – Litigation, International Arbitration.

Teaching Areas

Introduction to Civil Law, Family Law, Law of Persons, Law of Obligations (Contracts & Torts), Strict Liability in Turkish Law of Obligations (*Graduate Level*), Harmonization of Private Law in Europe (*Erasmus Course – in English*), Basic Principles of Contract Law (*Elective – in English*).

Selected Publications

A. BOOKS

Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Konut Finansmanı Sistemi Çerçevesinde İpoteğe Dayalı Menkul Kıymetler", Istanbul, 2013. ("**Housing Finance in Turkey and Covered Bonds within this Context**")

B. ARTICLES

1. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, " 4630 Sayılı Kanun Değişikliği ve Gelişmeler Işığında 'Sinema Eseri' ve 'Sinema Eser Sahipliği' ", Liber Amicorum in Honor of Prof. Dr. Hayri Domaniç, Volume I, p. 1 et seq. Istanbul, 2001. ("**Considering the Law Amendment No. 4630 and Latest Developments: A Review of Cinematic Works and Ownership**")

2. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Cezaî Şartın İşlevi Türk ve Amerikan Hukukları Açısından Karşılaştırmalı Bir Değerlendirme", Istanbul University Faculty of Law Journal, Volume: LXI, No:1-2, p. 357 et seq. Istanbul, 2003. (**"The Penalty Clause and Its Function: A Comparative Analysis of Turkish and American Law"**)

3. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Kat Karşılığı İnşaat Sözleşmelerinde Müteahhidin Temerrüde Düşmesi Üzerine Arsa Sahibinin Sözleşmeyi Sona Erdirmesi ve Sona Ermenin Etkileri", Liber Amicorum in Honor of Prof. Dr. Ergun Özsunay, p. 49 et seq. Istanbul, 2004. (**"Contract Termination by Landowner Due to Contractor Default in Flat-for-Land Agreements."**)

4. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Evlilik Dışı Çocuğun Soyadı ve 02.07.2009 Tarih 2005/114 E. 2009/105 K. Sayılı AYM Kararının Bu Bağlamda Değerlendirilmesi", Liber Amicorum in Honor of Prof. Dr. Rona Serozan, p. 69 et seq. Istanbul, 2010. (**"Surname of the Extramarital/Illegitimate Child and the Turkish Constitutional Court Decision Dated 02.07.2009 and No. 2005/114 - 2009/105"**)

5. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "6098 Sayılı Türk Borçlar Kanunu Düzenlemeleri Çerçevesinde Kusursuz Sorumluluğun Özel bir Türü Olarak Tehlike Sorumluluğu", Istanbul University Faculty of Law Journal, Volume LXX, No. 1, p. 203 et seq. Istanbul, 2012. (**"Danger/Risk Liability as a Specific Type of Strict Liability Within the Scope of Turkish Code of Obligations No. 6098"**)

6. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Kredi Kartı Sözleşmelerinin Bağlı Tüketici Kredisi Olarak Nitelendirilip Nitelendirilemeyeceği Sorunu", Istanbul University Faculty of Law Journal, Volume LXXIII, No. 1, p. 261 et seq. Istanbul, 2015. (**"Is it Possible to Categorize Credit Card Agreements as Tied/Restricted Consumer Credit?"**)

7. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Does Turkey (Need to) Participate in the Process of Harmonization of the European Private Law", Liber Amicorum in Honor of Prof. Dr. Hasan Erman, p. 899 et seq. Istanbul, 2015.

8. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Geç Ortaya Çıkan Bedensel Zararların Tazmini Taleplerinde Uygulanacak Zamanaşımının Yeni Eğilimler Çerçevesinde Değerlendirilmesi", Istanbul University Faculty of Law Journal, Volume LXXIV, No. 1, Istanbul, 2016. (**"Compensation for Latent Injuries With Emphasis on the Problem of Limitation Periods Regarding Personal Injuries."**)

9. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Liability and Compensation for Personal Injury and Death Resulting from Road Traffic Accidents in Turkey", Journal of Penal Law and Criminology, Volume 4 – Issue 1, Istanbul, 2016.

10. Akkayan Yıldırım Ayça, "Uluslararası Ticari Sözleşmelerde Sözleşme Dili Olarak İngilizce Kullanımından Kaynaklanan Dil ve Yorum Sorunlarına İlişkin Bir Değerlendirme", Liber Amicorum in Honor of Prof. Dr. Haluk Burcuoglu, V. 1, p. 57 et seq. Istanbul, 2020. (**"An Evaluation of Language and Interpretation Issues Arising from Using English as the Contractual Language in International Business Transactions"**)

Selected Presentations

1. "Türk Hukukunda Kusursuz Sorumluluk Halleri ve Özellikle Tehlike Sorumluluğu", Faculty of Law, Istanbul University, Symposium on the new Turkish Code of Obligations, May 2011. (**"Strict Liability and, Particularly, Danger/Risk Liability Under Turkish Law"**)

2. "TBK Çerçevesinde Tehlike Sorumluluğu", Yeni Borçlar Kanunu'nun Getirdiği Hükümler ile İlgili Yargıtay Uygulamaları, Istanbul Bar Legal Forum, June 2012. (**"Danger/Risk Liability Under Turkish Code of Obligations, Implementations of the Court of Cassation Regarding the Provisions of the New Code of Obligations"**)

3. "Harmonization of European Private Law and Assessment of Transformations of Turkish Civil Law within this Context," Faculty of Law, Istanbul University, Turkish-Croatia Legal Forum, April 2013.

4. "Tüketicinin Korunması Hakkında Kanun Hükümleri Uyarınca Tüketici Kredileri", Faculty of Law, Istanbul University "Yürürlüğe Giren 6502 Sayılı TKHK Sempozyumu", May 2014. (**"Consumer Credit According to the Consumer Protection Law Provisions – Symposium on the Consumer Protection Law no. 6502"**)

5. "Liability and Compensation for Personal Injury and Death Resulting From Road Traffic Accidents in Turkey", Faculty of Law, Istanbul University, Turkish – Slovenia Legal Forum, December 2015.

6. "Türk Medeni Kanunu Düzenlemeleri Çerçevesinde Kadının Hukuki Durumu", St. Georgs Kolleg, International Women's Day Seminar & Workshop, Istanbul, March 2015 & March 2016. (**"The Legal Status of Women in Turkey with Special Emphasis on the Provisions of Turkish Civil Code"**)

Bar Memberships

Attorney, Istanbul Bar, 1998 (Active)

Foreign Legal Consultant, MA, USA, 2017 (Active)

Special Legal Consultant, District of Columbia, USA, 2024 (Active)

Languages

Native Turkish / Full Professional English / Limited Working German