

SERKAN YILDIRIM

ATTORNEY

Attorney, AKKAYAN&YILDIRIM ATTORNEY PARTNERSHIP, Istanbul, May 2017 - Present.

Attorney, GUR LAW FIRM, Istanbul, 1999 - April 2017.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Team Leader, Partner. Litigation, Dispute Resolution, Arbitration, Enforcement of Judicial and Arbitration Awards, Debt Recovery, Maritime Law, Commercial Law, Construction Law, Insurance Law, Corporate and Contract Law, Labor & Employment, International Carriage of Goods by Air, Land and Sea.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Directing the legal team and acting for both ad hoc and institutional local and international arbitration including ICC, ICSID, etc. for several Turkish and international clients.
- Responsible for the overall conduct of numerous high profile cases before Turkish Courts.
- Representing numerous local and international clients in various sectors consisting of mainly banking, finance, maritime, shipyard management, energy, tourism, hotel management, automotive, heating industry, steel sector, construction, petrol, mining operations, transport, logistic, advertising, aviation, franchise, insurance, food, agriculture, textile, media, sport, entertainment and retail business.

ADVISING and REPRESENTATION of LOCAL and INTERNATIONAL CLIENTS:

- Acting as counsel of an UK construction company against Turkmenistan State in a multimillion dollar investment dispute in ICSID arbitration.
- Represented a Turkish investor against Turkmenistan State in a multimillion dollar investment dispute.

- Representing a Russian industrial company in an ICC arbitration against a French company relation to a dispute for over multimillion Euro, and a set aside case against the arbitral award adopted by the Tribunal.
- Representing a Turkish company against another Turkish company in an *ad hoc* arbitration case for the collection of multimillion Turkish Liras.
- Representing a multinational trading company against Turkish company in an Istanbul Chamber of Commerce Arbitration for the collection of over multimillion dollars.
- Represented a Turkish company in acquisition of the same by a foreign company for a value of for over multimillion dollars and directed the relevant process.
- Representing the shareholders of a multimillion Dollar worth Turkish company against the other shareholder, attendance to negotiations and deliberations regarding the management of the company.
- Providing legal assistance to a foreign bank for their business in Turkey and regarding their loans more than a billion Euros.
- Advising and representation of local and foreign investors, multinational companies, joint ventures in M&A projects.
- Directed and managed the successful collection of receivables of Turkish companies from various states by way of attaching the assets of the states such as airplanes, etc.
- Represented a major US investor in Turkey for their energy projects regarding all related legal aspects.

LANGUAGES:

Turkish (Native), English (Fluent).

EDUCATION:

University of Istanbul, Faculty of Law (LL.B. / 1993-1997)

BAR MEMBERSHIP:

Admitted to Istanbul Bar Association, 1998.