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Biography

Gülnur Çakmak Ergene works as an Associate in the Corporate and Litigation department at Erdem & Erdem's İzmir Office. She is particularly active in the areas of Personal Data Protection Law, Labor and Social Security Law, Law of Obligations, Commercial Law and IT Law, advising domestic and foreign clients and representing them in litigation.

Çakmak Ergene also provides legal and administrative assistance in the compensation of damages arising from personal injuries, prepares legal opinions on Turkish legislation and local standards regarding liability law for cases abroad, or assists in the preparation of expert reports in areas such as health, engineering, and occupational safety.

In addition, as part of the data protection team, Çakmak Ergene is involved in compliance projects with applicable data protection legislation, in particular the Turkish Personal Data Protection Law (KVKK) and the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), for domestic and foreign clients.

Gülnur Çakmak Ergene graduated from the Faculty of Law of Istanbul University and received her Master's degree in Law from the Ludwig Maximilan University of Munich.

Practice Areas

- Compliance
- Corporate Advisory
- Intellectual Property
- IT Law and Artificial Intelligence
- Labor Law
- Litigation
- Personal Data Protection
- Personal Injury

Industries

- Information Technologies
- Healthcare
- Technology and Media

Representative Matters

Compliance

- Providing legal advice to a multinational holding company in the context of the European Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Turkish Personal Data Protection Law (KVKK), preparing and revising compliance documents and conducting a project to update the personal data processing records.
- Conducting a GDPR compliance project for the subsidiaries of a global holding company in the European Union and Switzerland, preparing risk analysis reports and compliance documents.
- Reviewing the personal data processing activities of a multinational holding company, identifying non-compliance and revising compliance documents.
- Advising a football club on its compliance with the KVKK and drafting the necessary documentation and policies.
- Advising domestic and foreign clients on risk assessment processes related to personal data protection legislation, and preparing legal assessment reports accordingly.

Litigation

- Representation of a company operating in the food industry and its subsidiaries in litigation.
- Representation of a company operating in the field of environmental technologies in litigation.
- Representation of a private hospital in disputes arising from labor and consumer law.
- Representation of a food company in various disputes arising from commercial and labor law.
- Representation of a fabric company in a case filed due to trademark infringement.
- Representation of a food company in cases regarding liability of the board members and the rightful termination of the company.
- Representation of local and foreign clients in various cases regarding disputes arising from labor law, obligations law, debt enforcement and bankruptcy law and commercial law.

Corporate Advisory

- Providing legal assistance in obtaining a work permit for the Turkish branch of a foreign company that is an international producer of natural food coloring.
- Advising a company operating in the field of blockchain technology on corporate and commercial activities and preparing their contracts.
- Advising an influencer agency on corporate and commercial activities and preparing their contracts.
- Contract preparation in a wide range of fields, including employment, confidentiality, consultancy, agency, sponsorship, rental, sale, service procurement, franchise and distributorship for companies operating in a variety of industries.

Personal Injury

 Providing legal advice on Turkish legislation and local standards regarding personal injuries suffered by foreigners during the stay in Turkey, preparing legal opinions and following up on disputes filed in Turkish courts.

Education

- Ludwig Maximilian University, International Trade Law, LL.M.
- Istanbul University, Faculty of Law
- Fachoberschule Augsburg (Highschool)

Memberships

Istanbul Bar Association

Publications

- Constitutional Court Decision on Employees' Freedom of Expression, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2024
- Protection of a Well-Known Trademark in Light of a Recent General Assembly Decision,
 Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, May 2024
- The Management of Email Accounts of Former Employees, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter,
 January 2024
- International Transfer of Personal Data in Light of the Amazon Decision of the Personal Data Protection Board, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2023
- CJEU Decides That a Mere Infringement of the GDPR is not Sufficient for Non-Material Compensation, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, May 2023
- The Decision of the Court of Cassation General Assembly on the Unification of Case Law Holding That Lawsuits Filed for Deferred Receivables Have To Be Dismissed Without Prejudice, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, October 2022