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Biography

Alper Uzun joined Erdem & Erdem Law Office in 2009. He is a Partner and Mediator in Dispute Resolution department. He provides representation and advisory services to domestic and international clients in various legal disputes, addressing daily issues and representing clients in local and international litigation. He also provides mediation services as a registered Mediator in the official Mediators Registry of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Turkey.

Alper Uzun is involved in managing and pursuing dispute and litigation processes, providing consultancy in these areas, identifying risks, and handling both pre-litigation and litigation processes. He also conducts execution and bankruptcy proceedings, including debt restructuring, bankruptcy trials, post-bankruptcy liquidation, and administration processes. As a mediator, he acts as a provide mediation services and also represents clients in mediation proceedings as an attorney.

Focusing on disputes related to Commercial Law, the Law of Obligations, and Execution and Bankruptcy Law, Alper Uzun handles recognition and enforcement of foreign court and arbitral awards, resolution of disputes within the scope of Administrative and Tax Law, and processes with public institutions. He also provides services in matters related to Real Estate and Zoning Law, handling employer-employee disputes, and participating in privatization, acquisition, merger, and due diligence projects. Additionally, he plays an active role in identifying risks associated with disputes and reports on legal assessments. He assists in resolving sports law disputes and represents athletes and sports clubs.

Alper Uzun represents Erdem & Erdem's Russia and Central Asia Desk and also leads our Automotive Industry Working Group.

Alper Uzun received his law degree from Istanbul University. His thesis on the Taxation of Joint Ventures under Turkish Law served as the capstone for his LLM in Financial Law at Istanbul University.

Practice Areas

- Litigation
- Enforcement and Bankruptcy Law
- Maritime Commercial Law
- Labor Law
- Administrative Law
- Sports Law
- Intellectual Property
- Arbitration
- Mediation

Industries

- Heavy Industry
- Information Technologies
- Energy
- Financial Services
- Real Estate
- Port
- Construction and Infrastructure
- Mining
- Automotive
- Retail
- Health
- Insurance
- Sport
- Agribusiness and Food
- Technology and Media
- Telecommunication
- Tourism
- Transportation and Logistics

Representative Matters

Litigation

- Representation of Turkey's leading conglomerate and its subsidiaries operating in many fields, particularly in port management, mining and energy sectors, in lawsuits arising from contracts, commercial disputes, corporate law, administrative law, labour law and other matters.
- Representing the Holding and its subsidiaries and members of the Board of Directors in lawsuits filed against a global conglomerate in Turkey and the Netherlands, co-operating with the offices in the Netherlands and following up the lawsuits.
- Representation of a holding company with a large number of subsidiaries operating in different fields in disputes arising from inheritance law and commercial law, conducting lawsuits and follow-ups in different parts of Turkey.

- Representation of a subsidiary of a port operator in Luxembourg in various commercial litigations arising out of shareholding and representation relationship.
- Representing the Luxembourg-based subsidiary of a port operator in the enforcement of an ICC decision in a high value dispute.
- Representing a soft drinks company in mediation and litigation proceedings in an intellectual property infringement case.
- Representation of a global company operating in the transport sector and providing online platform services in Turkish courts in lawsuits filed for damages arising from the cessation of its operations and labour law claims.
- Representation of a leading Turkish electronics manufacturer in litigation against eight international companies for damages totalling USD 2.500.000.000,00 arising from alleged violations of competition law; advising the client's lawyers in a lawsuit filed in the Dutch courts with the same allegations.
- Representing a leading glass manufacturer in Turkey in disputes arising out of maritime and labour law.
- Representing and advising Turkey's leading port operator, food exporter and tourism companies in litigation arising out of corporate law, commercial disputes and labour law.
- Representing the client, a leading private bank, in disputes arising out of competition law and law of obligations, including administrative litigation, as well as advising the bank on day-to-day business and all kinds of disputes arising out of various matters.
- Representation of shareholders and former senior employees of a family-owned brick manufacturing company in various commercial and labour law disputes, as well as providing ongoing advice on dispute matters.
- Representation of a minority shareholder in a number of disputes against other shareholders, and representation of a minority shareholder in lawsuits and disputes for the cancellation of general assembly resolutions, the appointment of a special auditor and the right to information.
- Representation of a Russian construction company in a number of lawsuits and bankruptcy proceedings against a Turkish company claiming compensation for uncompleted construction in Libya.
- Representation of a Belgian insurance company in litigation and enforcement proceedings for the collection of a large amount of receivables from a Turkish company.
- Representation of a Swiss company operating in the chemical manufacturing sector in commercial litigation proceedings involving a large amount of receivables from a Turkish company.

- Representation of a global Swiss supply chain provider company in the collection of its receivables from a Turkish company, which amounted to a large amount in total.
- Representation of a Turkish port operator in a claim for damages arising out of breach of a contract with another company.
- Representing a Romanian construction joint venture in a high-stakes litigation against a construction company and one of the largest banks in Turkey for the recovery of unpaid bank letters of guarantee.
- Representation of a Danish manufacturer against a carrier in a high value claim for demurrage at customs.
- Representation of a construction company as creditor and plaintiff in lawsuits and enforcement proceedings for the collection of very high contractual receivables.
- Representation of an IT Start-Up, which was compulsorily involved as a third party in an enforcement proceeding, in enforcement proceedings as well as in lawsuits arising out of illegal actions of the enforcement office and claims of appropriation.
- Representation of a leading company in the fertiliser industry in administrative and high-stakes commercial litigation, including cases concerning the unfair and unlawful implementation of the communiqué issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry on the tracking of fertilisers.
- Representing an automobile manufacturer in a consumer dispute.
- Representing a leading construction company in Turkey in a high value litigation claiming compensation for damages arising from misconduct in contract negotiations
- Representing a leading aviation and ground handling services company in Turkey as a defendant in a high-stakes lawsuit filed due to shareholder disputes
- Representation of a tourism company as plaintiff in a dispute concerning the wrongful acquisition of a large number of shares in a paper manufacturing company.
- Representation of a well-known Italian coffee producer in negotiations and mandatory mediation proceedings concerning a dispute in which one of its distributors claimed compensation
- Representation of a Jordanian bank owner client in the collection of a large amount of receivables in relation to its investments in Turkey and in disputes concerning shareholding and directorship in companies incorporated in Turkey.
- Representation of an agency and distribution company in high value claims for agency compensation, loss of interest and commission claims.
- Representation of a Norwegian national in the negotiation of a dispute arising out of the failure to fulfil the contract of sale of a high value property in Antalya, Turkey.

- Representation of a Croatian steel wire manufacturing company in the negotiation of a dispute arising out of the non-fulfilment of obligations under a high value sales contract.
- Representation of a leading Italian machinery manufacturer in the collection of a substantial receivable from a Turkish company.
- Representation of a leading English law firm in the representation of its clients as local counsel in personal injury claims arising out of personal accidents in Turkey, providing legal opinions and technical expert reports to the English Courts.
- Advising a Canadian coatings company in a high value claim for damages brought by a Turkish client.
- Representing a well-known Turkish packaging company in a high value claim for damages arising from defective performance.
- Representing a Turkish shareholder in a high value litigation arising out of a share transfer.
- Representing a leading construction company in an action for enforcement of a Russian court judgement.
- Representation of a German company, which is a shareholder of some of the leading machinery companies in Turkey, in litigation for the collection of a very large amount of receivables.
- Representation of a French company in the enforcement of an ICC arbitral award.
- Representation of an Italian mining company, which holds a mining licence in Turkey, in litigation related to labour law and other commercial matters and providing consultancy services on mining licence issues.
- Representing a well-known food company as a defendant in a trademark infringement and unfair competition claim.
- Representing the Turkish representative office of a world-class research and data provision company in a high value dispute before the Turkish courts.
- Representing an international trade mark in a dispute arising out of an infringement in Turkey and pursuing its litigation.
- Representing a global receivables insurance company in its disputes with companies in Turkey.
- Advising a global investment firm based in Hong Kong on commercial disputes, as well as litigation and proceedings arising out of labour law; advising on employer-employee relations.
- Advising a Romanian construction company on its rights and receivables arising out of security law; advising two leading law firms in the UK on their clients' compensation and insurance claims arising in Turkey; advising an Ankara-based customs brokerage firm on corporate law, real estate law and commercial disputes, Litigation between a Turkish

shipping company and a German bank arising out of commercial receivables, arbitration and commercial disputes of a leading aviation and service company in Turkey, litigation of a French machinery manufacturer with a company in Turkey arising out of contracts and commercial receivables.

- Acting for an Australian international investment firm, a Hong Kong based international trade firm, a French international trade firm, a British investment firm, a Turkish construction firm in the recognition and enforcement of foreign court and arbitral awards in Turkey.
- Conducting lawsuits and execution proceedings regarding disputes arising from contracts between contractors and Turkey's leading company operating in the real estate sector
- Handling the real estate law litigation of an association operating in the education sector.
- Litigation and enforcement proceedings of a Turkish food manufacturer operating in the international arena in relation to contractual disputes.

Execution and Bankruptcy

- Managing the disputes of a global energy company operating in multiple countries and also in Turkey, following up on its receivables, and particularly handling enforcement proceedings through bankruptcy.
- Conducting lawsuits regarding disputes between a prime Turkish estate firm and contractors in relation to the agreements, conducting the lawsuit of an association on education sector arising from real estate law
- Representation of a state fund of an Asian country, in lawsuits and execution proceedings arising from disputes in Turkey
- Representation of a Russian international contractor company in disputes and lawsuits arising from bankruptcy and execution proceedings
- Representation of creditors in Council of Creditors of a Turkish company which declared concordat
- Conducting litigation and execution proceedings of a real estate and construction company established in Dubai, in relation to consumer law, labor law, agreements and commercial disputes, conducting dispute resolution proceedings of a French originated pharmaceutical company arising from labor law, conducting legal and enforcement proceedings arising from commercial disputes and labor law and additionally providing legal consulting service in relation to employer, employee relations, to a global investment company incorporated in Hong Kong
- Conducting and proceeding litigation of high amount of account receivable from a sector leading Turkish construction company, American industrial firm, and Turkish firms that operate internationally to a sector leading Turkish company that manufactures durable

consumer materials, Italian machine manufacturer firm, Russian construction firm, German commerce firm, Italian fabric agents

- Conducting various execution proceedings in relation to the secured and unsecured receivables of a one of the sector leading Turkish banks
- Representation of clients, administrators prosecuted for personal bankruptcy lawsuits about assigned banks
- Representation and legal counselling to a Turkish sector leading food exportation company and to one of the biggest companies of tourism sector, in lawsuits arising from corporate law, commercial disputes and labor

Corporate Advisory

- Providing advice and support in various disputes of one of the most important banks in Turkiye.
- Due Diligence for taking over shares of Turkish and foreign port companies to a foreign commerce company
- Conducting due diligence for a sector leader Turkish holding in relation to the privatization of prime Turkish port and “Istanbul Deniz Otobüsleri A.Ş. (IDO)”, for a the firm to participate the tender
- Reporting a legal report for public offering of a sector leading port company
- Conducting vendor due diligence for share transfers to be realized on companies of a sector leading Turkish holding
- Conducting due diligence in relation to the real estates for a Azerbaijani petroleum company planning to invest in Turkiye
- Conducting due diligence for a port privatization project on behalf of one of Turkiye's largest holdings.
- Carrying out the establishment process of a foundation.

Labor Law

- Providing consultancy services to an automobile parts manufacturing company on labor law issues, conducting compliance meetings and training managers on human resources practices, following up on lawsuits related to employees' actions.
- Representation of a group company and its subsidiaries, which operates in the food sector and also produces olive oil, soap and similar products, in labor law disputes and various day-to-day commercial disputes.
- Representation of two German companies operating in the automotive sector in a number of cases arising from labor law and commercial law and advising on employment issues.

- Litigation and enforcement proceedings of Dubai based real estate and construction company in consumer, labor law, contracts and commercial disputes.
- Litigation of labor law disputes of a French pharmaceutical company.
- Providing consultancy services to domestic and foreign clients regarding their labor law processes, ensuring that the labor law processes of companies are carried out in accordance with the legislation and practice within the scope of the "Labor Law Compliance Program".

Administrative Law

- Representation of a port operator client as an intervener in two administrative lawsuits filed against the Ministry of Trade for the cancellation of the temporary storage permit issued by the Ministry.
- Representation of a leading Turkish export association in two administrative lawsuits against the Ministry of Trade for the annulment of a fine imposed by the Ministry.
- Representing the client, a leading private bank in the sector, in a case before the administrative court for the annulment of the Competition Board's decision that twelve banks, including the client, constituted a cartel.
- Representing a leading payment systems company in a case before the administrative court for the annulment of the Competition Board's decision to reject its individual exemption application.

Mediation

- Following procedures as a mediator and attorney of a party, in mandatory and discretionary mediation proceedings

Sports Law

- Representation of Turkish Super League Team for an arbitration proceeding with its technical director before Court of Arbitration for Sport
- Representation and following lawsuits and execution proceedings of an important Turkish football club

Restructuring and Insolvency

- Conducting liquidation process of business company, establishment of foundation process

Education

- Istanbul University Financial Law Department, LLM

- Istanbul University Faculty of Law
- FMV Işık High School

Memberships

- Istanbul Bar Association
- Feyziyeliler Işıklılar Association
- Beyoğlu Classical Turkish Music Association

Publications

Books

- Business Partnerships and Taxation in Turkish Law, Onikilevha Publications, 2020
- Dispute Resolution Review, Turkey Chapter, The Law Reviews, January 2022

Newsletter Articles

- An Important Decision of the Assembly of Civil Chambers of the Court of Cassation Regarding Amendment of Pleading, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, December 2019.
- Decision of the Court of Cassation on the Unification of Case Law Concerning Interest Problem in Partial Claim Lawsuits, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2019.
- An Important Decision of the Assembly of Civil Chambers of the Court of Cassation Regarding the Principle of Legal Security, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, April 2019.
- Important Amendments to the Execution and Bankruptcy Law, Concordat and Mandatory Mediation, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, December 2018.
- General Assembly of the Court of Cassation Decision that Unification of Judgments where Consent of Spouse for Surety is not required for Aval, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, October 2018.
- Opinion of the Court of Cassation on the Contention of Expert Opinion and Expert Report, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, October 2018.
- Agreement Which Is Signed at the End of Mediation and Its Legal Qualification, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, December 2017.
- Mandatory Mediation in Labor Disputes, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, August 2017.
- Special Lien in Favour of the Lessor, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, April 2017.
- An Overview of Tax Crimes and Penalties, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, October 2016.
- Consumer Loan Agreements Regulation Entered Into Force, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, June 2016.
- Amendments to the Labor Law Introduced by Law Numbered 6663, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, February 2016.
- An Overview of Tax Crimes and Penalties, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, October 2015.
- Consumer Loan Agreements Regulation Entered Into Force, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, January 2015.

- Seizure and Transfer of Limited Liability Company Shares, February 2015.
- The New Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation in Force, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, December 2014.
- Substantial Amendments to the Administrative Procedure, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2014.
- Special Enforcement Proceedings in Turkish Legislation: Enforcement by Foreclosure of Collateral and Bankruptcy, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, May 2014.
- Innovations Brought to the Preliminary Injunction by the Code of Civil Procedure, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, February 2014.
- The New Consumer Law Has Entered into Force, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, November 2013.
- Evidence by Documentation and It's Exceptions under the Code of Civil Procedure, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2013.
- Account Settlement in Execution Law, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, May 2013.
- Mediation in Civil Disputes, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, March 2013.
- Regulation on Notification via Electronic Means, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, January 2013.
- Law of Trade Unions and Collective Bargaining Agreements Has Entered Into Force, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, November 2012.
- Liquidation of the Movable Properties, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2012.
- The Code of Labor Health and Safety and Its Purview, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, June 2012.
- Terms of Reference Pursuant To the International Chamber Of Commerce (ICC) Rules of Arbitration, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, April 2012.
- The Preliminary Examination Among the Reforms of the Civil Procedure Act, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, November 2011.
- Partial and Collective Legal Actions in the New Turkish Civil Procedure Code, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2011.
- Recovery for Unjust Preliminary Injunctions, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, July 2011.
- An Important Innovation Brought by the New Civil Procedure Law: Expert Opinion, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, May 2011.
- The Obligations of the Employer Regarding Occupational Health and Safety, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, March 2011.
- Authority to Represent and Bind Joint Stock Companies, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, January 2011.
- Expiration of Term of Office of the Board of Directors In Joint Stock Companies, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, December 2010.
- The Notification Requirement in Collective Redundancy, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, August 2010.
- Partial Cases, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, May 2010.
- Rescission of Time Limitation in Investment Allowance by the Constitutional Court, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, March 2010.
- Suspension of Execution in Tax Procedure Law, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, January 2010.

- Effects of Conventions for the Prevention of Double Taxation on Narrow Obligations in Corporate Tax, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, November 2009.
- Advantages of Issuing Interim Certificate in terms of Taxation, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, September 2009.
- Various Regulations were amended in order to reduce Bureaucratic Red Tape and Simplify Certain Procedures, Erdem & Erdem Newsletter, August 2009.