

Melissa Balıkçı

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Biography

Melissa Balıkçı is an Associate in Corporate and Dispute Resolution departments of Erdem & Erdem. She provides legal advice mainly on matters relating to corporate law, contract law and business law. She participated various domestic and international commercial law disputes.

Melissa specializes in international commercial arbitration. She represents parties from diverse backgrounds as counsel in arbitration proceedings conducted under various institutional rules. She also provides assistance to appointed arbitrators. She has provided counseling services regarding domestic and international business law to domestic and foreign clients on international transactions and international business law. She assists clients on incorporation of companies, preparation of the articles of association and other corporate works as well as the winding up of companies. Melissa has experience in drafting and reviewing various types of contracts.

Illustrative Recent Representations

- Representation of the Respondent in an arbitration proceeding regarding breaches of an investment agreement between Ukrainian and Cypriot parties under the LCIA Rules
- Representation of the Mauritius Respondent in an arbitration proceeding regarding breaches of a deposit advance agreement
- Representation of the Respondent against a world-wide freezing order before the English Courts
- Interim applications to tribunals, including an application for security for costs
- Providing legal assistance to a Venezuelan company regarding jurisdictional challenges
- Providing legal assistance regarding the appeal of a decision of a Hong Kong Court of First Instance which related to set aside a Hong Kong enforcement Order in relation to arbitral awards
- Representing a client before the English courts regarding the scope of an architect's duty of care.
- Providing legal assistance regarding winding up of companies

Principal Practice Areas

- Arbitration
- Company Law and General Corporate Advisory
- International Business Law

- International Commercial Contracts
- Litigation

Education /Languages

Education:

- Queen Mary University of London, LLM in Comparative and International Dispute Resolution
- King's College London, Pre-Master's Programme Law Pathway
- Galatasaray University, Faculty of Law
- 24 Kasım Anadolu Lisesi

Languages: Turkish, English, French

Recognition/Memberships

Memberships

- ICC Young Arbitrators Forum
- Young International Arbitration Group
- Young ISTAC
- Istanbul Bar Association
- Istanbul Arbitration Association