



THE REGIMENTATION OF COMMERCE IN EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY ISTANBUL PURSUANT TO ISTANBUL AHKÂM REGISTERS (1764-1780)

İSTANBUL AHKÂM DEFTERLERİ DOĞRULTUSUNDA 18.YÜZYIL
İSTANBULUNDAKİ TİCARETİN TASNİFİ (1764-1780)

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Abstract

This study, which aims to evaluate the commerce of Istanbul in the eighteenth-century, is based on the regimentation of Istanbul Ahkâm Registers in the period of 1764-1780. In order to classify the provisions of Ahkâm Registers; (a) registry(book) numbers, (b) application areas, (c) conflict issues, (d) the social position of the litigants, (e) the religion of the litigants, and (f) application years were chosen as the basic analysis variables. Each judgment, which were based on this systematic, were examined in themselves. 185 provisions of the commerce were determined in Istanbul Ahkâm Registers in the period of January 1764-May 1779. The analysis of this Ahkâm Books (between 7-9 books), the maximum provisions were found with 8th part (38.4%) of them. The most problems of the commerce of Istanbul were “commerce, price, assignation, transport and storage of merchandise” (51.4%) and “maritime trade, shipping, marine accident and shipwrecked merchandise” (36.2%). Moreover, the most commercial problems occurred in Üsküdar (31.9%) region. Also, the biggest commercial problems in Surici, Uskudar and Haslar were “providing and transportation of product, firewood and coal” (respectively 18, 23 and 25 cases); in Galata was “rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship” (11 cases). The commercial problems of Istanbul in the eighteenth-century occurred between the reaya (86.5%). Both the applicants and the complainers were intensity composed by the Muslims reaya which were dwelling in the city centre. It was determined that 39.5% of this commercial problems occurred in the period of 1764-1767.

Keywords: 18th Century, The Ottoman Commercial System, The Commerce of Istanbul, Istanbul Ahkâm Registers

Öz

18.yüzyılda İstanbul'daki ticareti değerlendirme amacındaki bu çalışma, 1764-1780 yılları arasındaki döneme ait İstanbul Ahkâm Defterleri'nin tasnifine yöneliktir. Ahkâm defterlerinde yer alan kayıtlardaki hükümleri tasnif edebilmek için; (a) defter numaraları, (b) başvuru yerleri, (c) ihtilaf konuları, (d) ihtilafın taraflarının sosyal konumları, (e) ihtilafın taraflarının dinleri ve (f) başvuru yılları, temel analiz değişkenleri olarak seçilmiştir. Her bir hüküm, bu sistematığe göre öncelikle kendi içlerinde ve daha sonra da genel analize tabi tutularak incelenmiştir. İstanbul Ahkâm Defterleri Kayıtları'nda, Ocak 1764-Mayıs 1779 tarihleri arasındaki dönemde, ticaret ile ilgili olarak 185 tane hüküm tespit edilmiştir. 7-9 arasında yer alan ilgili Ahkâm defterindeki bu hükümlerden, en fazla kaydın 8 numaralı defterde (%38,4) yer aldığı görülmüştür. İstanbul'da yaşanan ticari sorunların, yoğunluklu olarak “ticari emtianın alımı, satımı, fiyatı, tahsisi, nakli ve depolanması”(%51,4) ve “deniz ticareti, gemicilik, deniz kazaları ve kazaya uğrayan ticari emtia” (%36,2) konularıyla ilgili oldukları belirlenmiştir. Bununla birlikte en fazla ticari sorun, Üsküdar (%31,9) bölgesinde yaşanmıştır. Yine, Surici, Üsküdar ve Haslar kazalarında sıklıkla “zahire, odun, kömür vs. temini ve nakli” (sırasıyla 18, 23 ve 25 karar);Galata kazasında yoğunlukla “kazaya uğrayan ticaret gemisindeki emtianın kurtarılması, korunması ve sahibine iadesi” (11 karar) konularına ilişkin sorunlar yaşanmıştır.18.yüzyılda İstanbul'daki ticari sorunların, çoğunlukla yönetilenler(reaya) arasında yaşandığı (%86,5) belirlenmiştir. Hem müracaat eden ve hem de şikayet edilen taraflar, çoğunlukla şehir merkezinde yaşayan Müslüman yönetilen reayadan müteşekkildir. İncelenen dönemdeki sorunların %39,5'inin, 1764-1767 yılları arasındaki dönemde yaşandığı tespit edilmiştir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: 18.yüzyıl, Osmanlı Ticaret Sistemi, İstanbul'daki Ticaret, İstanbul Ahkâm Defterleri

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I. INTRODUCTION

In this archival research that we strive to depict the commerce in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century, our basic research field is *Istanbul Ahkâm Registers*.

In Ottoman State, the solution place of social conflicts is the central administration. The problems, upon the application of the complainant, are examined by the central decision-making body called Divan-ı Humayun (Council of Ottoman State). The relevant township is notified in writing about the disputes settled by Sultan or the council established having the force of "Sultan's commandment". The judgements are binding. However each decision made is compiled -systematically according to cities- and is archived recording to the books called "Ahkâm Registers". For these reasons, Ahkâm Registers can be considered as the main arguments showing the overall socio-economic characteristics of the period to which they relate.

Considering that they can describe the commerce in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century, Istanbul Ahkâm Registers of the period have been classified in this study.

To analyze commercial problems experienced in Istanbul between the 1764 and 1780, Istanbul Ahkâm Registers transcribed by the team created in the editorship of KAL'A² were examined and 185 decisions considered to be related to commerce were determined. In order to classify these judgements in the book records, fundamental analysis variables were chosen as; (a) registry (book) numbers, (b) application areas, (c) conflict issues, (d) the social positions of the parties to the dispute (litigants), (e) the religion of the parties to the dispute and (f) the application years. Each judgement is examined (primarily in itself and then subjecting to general analysis) based on this systematic. Classifications were recorded in an Excel and all the data was made available for evaluation in tables.

While keeping the records of Istanbul Ahkâm Registers, the registers (books) are numbered. This numbering forms a systematic for archival records of the judgements. In this framework, our first classification variable is register numbers. Problems related to commerce in Istanbul within the scope of the classification, were seen to take place in the registers between 7-9 numbers.

The center of religious, administrative, political and economic systems in the Ottoman State is Istanbul. Until the end of nineteenth-century, Istanbul (Dersaadet) city is divided into regions as; (a) the *Surici* (Istanbul city center) and (b) *Bilad-ı Selase* (Three Towns: *Galata*, *Uskudar* and *Haslar*) in terms of administrative and judicial structures. In Ahkâm Registers, the places where judgements are held (in other words, the application places), is described as sub-district (township, *nahiyah*). From this point, firstly, sub-districts within the hinterland of these four townships composing Istanbul in that period, have been identified. In accordance with this assessment, book judgements are subjected to place classification as *Surici*, *Galata* (Beyoglu), *Uskudar* and *Haslar* (Eyüp, Outside the city walls) regions and their sub-districts.

Explanations about judgements given also take place in the records of Ahkâm Registers. From this data, one can reach to a general agreement about the reasons problem arising from. In the scope of the study, firstly, we tried to determine what the problems might be encountered in commerce. Taking into consideration the socio-economic structure of the period, the subjects of commercial conflicts in Istanbul are classified as follows; (i) *commerce, price, assignation, transport and storage of merchandise* ("commerce",

² Ahmet TABAKOĞLU, Ahmet KAL'A, Salih AYNURAL, İsmail KARA ve Eyüp Sabri KAL'A, *İstanbul Ahkâm Defterleri İstanbul Ticaret Tarihi 1*, Corpus of Istanbul III, Istanbul Research Center, Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality Publications, İstanbul, 1997.

“distribution, division and assignation”, “controlled price (narh)”, “provide and transport of product, firewood and coal” and “slave trade”), (ii) *tariff and tax* (“tariff” and “tax”), (iii) *maritime trade, shipping, marine accident and shipwrecked merchandise* (“rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship”, “closing with the land and anchorage statute” and “shipbuilding”), (iv) *trading debt and credit* (“debit and credit disputes between trader and partners”, “debit and credit disputes between traders”, “debit and credit disputes between ship owner and traders” and “debit and credit disputes between trader and third-party”), (v) *security of the artery of commerce and accommodation* (“inn and repair-maintenance of the inn” and “pilferage, distraint, bogus-sale of merchandise and the murder of trader”) and (vi) *other disputes*. In this context, in order to determine the commercial problems experienced in Istanbul, each judgement was shaped according to the division of subjects of conflicts that we have created.

Judgements given for the solution of commercial problems in Istanbul townships, as you know, is intended to solve the problems between the two parties. Within the study, these two parties, according to their social position, are called as (a) applier/complainant party (in other words, the one having problem with the judgement given, the plaintiff), “*applicant*” and (b) the party caused the application (in other words the one caused the problem in the judgement given, the defendant), “*complainee*” and according to this distinction, the classification of judgements on the basis of parties was made.

As is known, in the classical period of Ottoman administrative classification, social positioning is divided as follows in general framework; (a) “*askeri* (governor)” (class who have a say in the management of state, military) and (b) “*reaya* (governed)” (people who live as resident within the borders of state, rayah). However, by making a sub-grouping, these *askeri* and *reaya* division, could be divided again according to the place of settlements as (i) “*urbanite*” (living in the city centre) or (ii) “*villager*” (living in the village). For this reason, from the general information given in book of judgements, the parties’ social position, (a) their general division as *askeri* and *reaya* and (b) their place of settlements as *urbanite* and *villager* have been determined.

In Ahkâm records, religious knowledge about the parties of the dispute is also included. Based on the division in the Registers, it was thought that a classification according to religious division must be performed in this study as well. General division based on religion of the parties of the dispute, was made as (a) “*Muslim*” and (b) “*Non-Muslim*”. However, *Non-Muslims* also have been divided into the sub-categories –as stated in Ahkâm Registers- as (i) “*Dhimmi* (Zimmi)”, (ii) “*Jews*” and (iii) “*Nazarene* (Nasrani)”.

While the decisions made in relation to the problems in Istanbul are recorded to Istanbul Ahkâm Registers, the time of disclosure of judgements -in line with the book archive systematic- is stated by dates. Considering the period of our study is the second half of the eighteenth-century, judgements covering the period between the dates of January 1764-May 1779 of decisions made in Registers related to commerce in Istanbul, were included in the classification.

To sum up, the time of this study will be identified as the eighteenth-century, the center of study is Istanbul, the main area of study is commerce, and focus point of the study is Istanbul Ahkâm Registers.

II. ANALYSIS OF COMMERCE IN ISTANBUL BY THE EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY ISTANBULAHKÂM REGISTERS (1764-1780)

To be able to depict the commerce in Istanbul in eighteenth-century, Ahkâm Registers of the period were analyzed. In the registers examined, 185 cases were found to be made as

regards to commerce in Istanbul in that period. According to the data obtained from these records between the dates of January 1764-May 1779, the commerce in Istanbul were classified as; (a) book numbers in Ahkâm archival registers, (b) its distribution in Istanbul townships and sub-districts, (c) problems subject to judgement, (d) social position and religion of the parties related to judgements, and (e) years where problems occur.³

A. Regimentation of Commerce in Istanbul by their Book Numbers in *Istanbul Ahkâm Registers of Eighteenth-Century*

Judgements given about the commerce in Istanbul in the period between the years 1764-1780, take place in books numbered between 7-9 of Ahkâm Registers.⁴

Table 1. Regimentation of the Commercial Problems in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century by *Istanbul Ahkâm Registers*

	REGISTRY(BOOK) NUMBER			TOTAL
	7	8	9	
CASES	52	71	62	185
PERCENTAGE	28.1%	38.4%	33.5%	%100

As shown in Table 1, when the distribution of decisions in the registers made regarding Istanbul commerce in that period is examined, it will be seen that most of the decisions takes place in the book numbered 8 (38.4%)⁵. Decisions within the scope of our study are take place in all books equally⁶.

³ The classification made for each Ahkâm Register can be exemplified as:[Başbakanlık Osmanlı Arşivi (BOA, Office of the Prime Minister Ottoman Archives), Bab-ı Asaflı Divan-ı Hümayun Sicilleri İstanbul Ahkâm Defteri (A.DVNS.AHK.İS.d.) 8, c. 203, p. 64, November 1767]

ISTANBUL AHKÂM REGISTERS			CONFLICT ISSUES	REGION	SOCIAL POSITIONS OF THE PARTIES		THE MUTUAL RELIGIONS OF THE PARTIES		YEAR
Book Number	Page Number	Case Number			APPLICANT	COMPLAINEE	APPLICANT	COMPLAINEE	
8	64	203	Provide and Transport of Product, Firewood and Coal	Haslar (Çekmece-i Kebir)	Reaya (Urbanite)	Askeri (Urbanite)	Dhimmi	Muslim	November 1767

⁴ Identity indication of judgements in footnotes -taking into consideration the condition of place- is made as "BOA book number / case number". General identities of relevant registers take place in references.

⁵In 8th book: BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/189, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232 and BOA 8/1261.

⁶In 7th book: BOA 7/7, BOA 7/19, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/166, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234 and BOA 7/1236. In 9th book: BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/74,

185cases about Istanbul commerce, can also be elaborated according to our study period, the years between 1764-1780.

Table 2. Distribution of *Istanbul Ahkâm Registers* Related to Istanbul Commerce in Eighteenth-Century By Years (1764-1780)

YEAR	REGISTRY(BOOK) NUMBER			TOTAL
	7	8	9	
1764-1767	52	21	-	73
1768-1771	-	24	-	24
1772-1775	-	16	-	16
1776-1779	-	10	62	72
TOTAL	52	71	62	185

As seen in Table 2, the problems experienced in the commerce of Istanbul in that period have usually been concentrated in between 1764 and 1767 (in 8th book). Towards the middle of the century, the reduction in decisions has been noticed. Indeed, only 21.6% of the total decisions covers the years 1768 and 1775.

B. Regimentation of Commercial Problems Encountered in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century by Townships and Sub-districts

While the decisions made by Divan-ı Humayun are saved to the Ahkâm Registers, the related place of judgements is explained according to the sub-districts. In order to examine the judgements according to the place where the application is made, in the scope of the study; the sub-districts specified in the judgements have been classified by Surici and Bilad-ı Selase townships of that period. In this context, in which hinterland (Surici and Bilad-ı Selase) the sub-districts described in each book record are situated, has been determined and in this way, the data related to the place where judgements are made is compiled⁷.

Table 3. Places in Istanbul where Commercial Problems Experienced in the Eighteenth-Century

	REGION				TOTAL
	SURICI	GALATA	USKUDAR	HASLAR	
CASES	42	31	59	53	185
PERCENTAGE	22.7%	16.8%	31.9%	28.6%	100%

BOA 9/194, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/859, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1082, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1203, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278, BOA 9/1301, BOA 9/1312 and BOA 9/1717.

⁷ To be able to make classification related to place, firstly, subdistricts of *Surici*, *Galata*, *Uskudar* and *Haslar* region have been researched. Next, based on the subdistricts stated in judgements, judgements have been classified by region and subdistrict.

As classified in Table 3, in book records, for Surici 42⁸, for Galata 31⁹, for Uskudar 59¹⁰ and for Haslar with the largest land border 53¹¹ cases related to commerce were found. At this point, it is determined that commercial problems in Istanbul have occurred mostly in the Haslar (31.9%) region.

In the evaluation of the judgements on the basis of the place, distinction of the sub-districts in the hinterland of Bilad-ı Selase has been made according to Galata, Uskudar and Haslar regions.

Table 4. Distribution of Judgements Given Related to Commerce in Galata District by Their Sub-districts

GALATA					
TOWNSHIP	CASES	PERCENTAGE	TOWNSHIP	CASES	PERCENTAGE
BANDIRMA	-	-	KAPUDAGI	6	19.4%
ERDEK	4	12.9%	MARMARA	8	25.8%
ISTINYE	2	6.5%	YENİKÖY	4	12.9%
UNKNOWN	7	22.6%	TOTAL	31	100%

The concentration of judgements in Galata district boundaries by the township is indicated in Table 4. Galata region in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century is divided into sub-district as; Bandirma, Beyoglu, Corlu, Erdek¹², Istinye¹³, Kapudagi, Marmara, Mudanya, Mahmutpaşa, Kasimpasa, Pinarhisar, Erdek, Gemlik and Yenikoy¹⁴. In the classification of book judgements made by this distinction, it is seen that the judgements entering the Galata

⁸BOA 7/233, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1178, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1232, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1203, BOA 9/1254 and BOA 9/1278.

⁹BOA 7/166, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/859, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1082, BOA 9/1124 and BOA 9/1312.

¹⁰BOA 7/37, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1231, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1185, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1301 and BOA 9/1717.

¹¹BOA 7/7, BOA 7/19, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1234, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/189, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1203, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1146 and BOA 9/1179.

¹² BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 9/860 and BOA 9/1058.

¹³BOA 8/8 and BOA 8/9.

¹⁴BOA 8/222, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179 and BOA 9/194.

district boundaries are mainly related to Marmara (25.8%)¹⁵ and Kapudagi (19.4%)¹⁶ townships.

Uskudar, another Bilad-ı Selase district, is composed of; Adalar¹⁷, Agacli, Begkoz, Gekbuze¹⁸, Geyve, Kandiri¹⁹, Karamurssel²⁰, Kartal²¹, Kaymas, Kocaili, Samandıra, Seyhler, Sile, Taskopri²², Tekfurdag, Tuzla, Yalakabad and Yoros²³ townships in the eighteenth-century.

Table 5. Distribution of Judgements Given Related to Commerce in *Uskudar* District by Their Sub-districts

USKUDAR					
TOWNSHIP	CASES	PERCENTAGE	TOWNSHIP	CASES	PERCENTAGE
ADALAR	1	1.7%	SEYHLER	-	-
GEKBUZE	3	5.1%	SILE	33	55.9%
KANDIRI	8	13.6%	TASKOPRI	2	3.4%
KARAMURSEL	5	8.5%	YALAKABAD	-	-
KARTAL	3	5.1%	YOROS	3	5.1%
UNKNOWN	1	1.7%	TOTAL	59	100%

As can be seen in Table 5, those who have problems in Uskudar district reside mostly in Sile (33 cases and 55.9%)²⁴ sub-districts.

The hinterland of the Haslar district in Istanbul in eighteenth-century includes; Burgos, Catalca²⁵, Cekmece-i Kebir²⁶, Cekmece-i Sagir²⁷, Edirne, Eregli²⁸, Haskoy, Istiranca²⁹, Midye, Ruskasrı, Silivri and Terkos townships.

¹⁵BOA 7/963, BOA 7/1230, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/929, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1082 and BOA 9/1312.

¹⁶BOA 7/166, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/1211, BOA 9/196 and BOA 9/859.

¹⁷BOA 8/1131.

¹⁸BOA 7/526, BOA 9/982 and BOA 9/1717.

¹⁹BOA 7/1014, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/1185, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759 and BOA 9/1085.

²⁰BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1184, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/207 and BOA 9/558.

²¹BOA 7/37, BOA 7/554 and BOA 7/1231.

²²BOA 8/47 and BOA 9/210.

²³BOA 7/1007, BOA 8/1091 and BOA 9/970.

²⁴BOA 7/373, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1185, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/899 and BOA 9/1301.

²⁵BOA 7/1234 and BOA 8/948.

²⁶BOA 7/545, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/671 and BOA 9/1146.

²⁷BOA 9/243.

²⁸BOA 7/991 and BOA 8/106.

²⁹BOA 8/1139.

Table 6. Ahkâm Judgements Given Related to the Commerce in Haslar Region and The Distribution of Them in accordance with Their Sub-districts

HASLAR (EYUP)					
TOWNSHIP	CASES	PERCENTAGE	TOWNSHIP	CASES	PERCENTAGE
CATALCA	2	3.8%	ISTIRANCA	1	1.9%
CEKMECE-I KEBIR	6	11.3%	MIDYE	15	28.3%
CEKMECE-I SAGIR	1	1.9%	RUSKASRI	-	-
EDIRNE	-	-	SILIVRI	12	22.6%
EREGLI	2	3.8%	TERKOS	13	24.5%
UNKNOWN	1	1.9%	TOTAL	53	100%

It is determined that a very high percentage of problems as 75.4% of Haslar region - having the largest borders within the townships of Istanbul- has been lived in the sub-district of Midye (28.3%)³⁰, Terkos (24.5%)³¹ and Silivri (22.6%)³² as classified with the Table 6.

In the eighteenth-century, another research field is that at which times commercial problems experienced in these four main regions of Istanbul are seen. The commercial problems in Surici, Galata, Uskudar and Haslar regions are classified based on this thought system according to 1764-1780 years which were also the years of the research period of the study.

Table 7. The Distribution of the Places in which Commercial Problems were Experienced in the Eighteenth-Century in accordance with Years

YEAR	REGION			
	SURICI	GALATA	USKUDAR	HASLAR
1764-1767	12	12	22	27
1768-1771	7	1	8	8
1772-1775	3	2	7	4
1776-1779	20	16	22	14

As indicated in the Table 7, it is detected when places in which commercial problems of Istanbul in the eighteenth-century were experienced are examined that commercial problems were often experienced in Surici region in 1776-1779 years (20 cases), intensely in Galata region also in 1776-1779 (16 cases), often in Uskudar region in 1764-1767 (22 cases) and 1776-1779 (22 cases), and intensely in Haslar region in between 1764-1767 years.

C. Regimentation of the Commercial Problems in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century by Topics

To find out what are the problems experienced in Istanbul commercial life in the period between 1764-1780, each Ahkâm Register has been classified by six general topics we have identified as the main commercial problems.

The commercial problems experienced in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century can be held as (a) *commerce, price, assignation, transport and storage of merchandise*, (b) *tariff and*

³⁰ BOA 7/7, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1170, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/608 and BOA 8/1203.

³¹ BOA 7/232, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/1161, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/553, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/966 and BOA 9/1179.

³² BOA 7/19, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/790, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/862, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/635 and BOA 9/1052.

tax, (c) maritime trade, shipping, marine accident and shipwrecked merchandise, (d) trading debt and credit, (e) security of the artery of commerce and accommodation and (f) other disputes.

Table 8. Commercial Problems Encountered in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century

CONFLICT ISSUES	CASES	PERCENTAGE
A. COMMERCE, PRICE, ASSIGNATION, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE OF MERCHANDISE	95	51.4%
B. TARIFF AND TAX	22	11.9%
C. MARITIME TRADE, SHIPPING, MARINE ACCIDENT AND SHIPWRECKED MERCHANDISE	67	36.2%
D. TRADING DEBT AND CREDIT	25	13.5%
E. SECURITY OF THE ARTERY OF COMMERCE AND ACCOMMODATION	12	6.5%
F. OTHER DISPUTES	1	0.5%

As a result of classification of book records by these conflict issues and elaborated in table 8; the problems of commerce in Istanbul in that period have been determined to be related to “commerce, price, assignation, transport and storage of merchandise” (51.4%)³³ and “maritime trade, shipping, marine accident and shipwrecked merchandise” (36.2%)³⁴ topics generally. While these problems are followed by “trading debt and credit” (13.5%)³⁵ and “tariff and tax” (11.9%)³⁶ respectively, it has been noticed that the problems as “security of the

³³BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/189, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146 and BOA 9/1179.

³⁴BOA 7/166, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278, BOA 9/1301 and BOA 9/1717.

³⁵BOA 7/7, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/1170, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1185, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/859, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1203 and BOA 9/1312.

³⁶BOA 7/233, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/1000, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1232, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/1052 and BOA 9/1082.

artery of commerce and accommodation” (6.5%)³⁷ and “other disputes” (0.5%)³⁸ in Istanbul in that period are relatively few.

These fundamental problems can be elaborated as follows; “commerce”³⁹, “distribution, division and assignation”⁴⁰, “controlled price (narh)”⁴¹, “provide and transport of product, firewood and coal”⁴², “slave trade”⁴³, “tariff”⁴⁴, “tax”⁴⁵, “rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship”⁴⁶, “closing with the land and anchorage statute”⁴⁷, “shipbuilding”⁴⁸, “debit and credit disputes between trader and partners”⁴⁹, “debit and credit disputes between traders”⁵⁰, “debit and credit disputes between ship owner and traders”⁵¹, “debit and credit disputes between trader and third-party”⁵², “inn and repair-maintenance of the inn”, “pilferage, distraint, bogus-sale of merchandise and the murder of trader”⁵³ and “other disputes”⁵⁴.

³⁷ BOA 7/19, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1234 and BOA 9/1085.

³⁸ BOA 9/1046.

³⁹ BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1073, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/189, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986 and BOA 9/1052.

⁴⁰ BOA 7/766, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/997, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/1146, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/471 and BOA 9/583.

⁴¹ BOA 7/202, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/1178, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/189, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/1091, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304 and BOA 9/986.

⁴² BOA 7/197, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146 and BOA 9/1179.

⁴³ BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073 and BOA 9/860.

⁴⁴ BOA 7/233, BOA 7/766 and BOA 8/1088.

⁴⁵ BOA 7/1000, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1232, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/1052 and BOA 9/1082.

⁴⁶ BOA 7/166, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179 and BOA 9/1254.

⁴⁷ BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1178 and BOA 8/1131.

⁴⁸ BOA 7/1230.

⁴⁹ BOA 8/286, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/948, BOA 9/558 and BOA 9/1058.

⁵⁰ BOA 7/502, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/114 and BOA 9/859.

⁵¹ BOA 8/542, BOA 8/566 and BOA 8/1185.

⁵² BOA 7/7, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/1170, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/1110, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1203 and BOA 9/1312.

⁵³ BOA 7/19, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1234 and BOA 9/1085.

⁵⁴ BOA 9/1046.

These commercial problem issues experienced in Istanbul, were analyzed according to Istanbul's main areas in that period (Surici, Galata, Uskudar and Haslar) and the distribution of religion of the parties.

Table 9. Distribution of Commercial Problems Experienced in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century, by Istanbul's Townships and Religion of Parties

	CONFLICT ISSUES																
	Commerce	Distribution, Division and Assignment	Controlled Price(Narh)	Provide and Transport of Product, Firewood and Coal	Slave Trade	Tariff	Tax	Rescue, Protection And Returning to the Owner of the Merchandise of the Wrecked Ship	Closing with the Land and Anchorage Statute	Shipbuilding	Debit and Credit Disputes Between Trader and Partners	Debit and Credit Disputes Between Traders	Debit and Credit Disputes Between Ship Owner and Traders	Debit and Credit Disputes Between Trader and Third-Party	Inn and Repair-Maintenance of the Inn	Pilferage, Distrain, Bogus-Sale of Merchandise and the Murder of Trader	Other Disputes
I. REGION	47	11	15	70	3	3	20	59	3	1	5	4	3	11	-	12	1
a.SURICI	18	5	6	18	2	3	5	10	1	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	1
b.GALATA	3	1	3	4	1	-	2	11	-	1	2	1	-	4	-	3	-
c.USKUDAR	17	4	4	23	-	-	5	17	2	-	1	2	2	2	-	4	-
d.HASLAR	9	1	2	25	-	-	8	21	-	-	2	1	-	3	-	5	-
II. RELIGIOUS COMPOSITION																	
a.MUSLIM	44	11	15	63	3	3	15	53	2	1	3	2	3	8	-	8	1
b.NON-MUSLIM	3	1	-	9	-	-	6	6	1	-	2	2	-	3	-	4	-

When the results of classification shown in Table 9 are evaluated, the commercial issues experienced in Istanbul in eighteenth-century as “provide and transport of product, firewood and coal” (37.8%) mainly arise in the Uskudar district and among Muslim citizens.

Indeed, in the analysis of the problems in Istanbul commerce, carried out according to the Istanbul's townships, it has been seen that; in Surici, Uskudar and Haslar townships “provide and transport of product, firewood and coal” (respectly 42.9%, 39% and 47.2%) issue; in Galatatownship “rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship” (35.5%) issues are generally the main topics.

However, when religious distribution of these commercial problems is analyzed; while the Muslim citizens usually have problems like *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (63 cases and 40%), *rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship* (53 cases and 33.5%) and *commerce* (44 cases and 27.8%); it has been observed that Non-Muslim citizens also usually have problems related to *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (9 cases and 30%), *tax* (6 cases and 20%) and *rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship* (6 cases and 20%).

D. The Regimentation of the Commercial Problems Experienced in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century in accordance with the Social Positions of Dispute Parties

The data related to the social positions of parties experiencing problems in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century may also be obtained from Istanbul Ahkâm Registers. For this purpose, it is a necessity that parties of the judgement given should be determined. In judgement records, the party applying to the kadi is entitled as *the applicant* (plaintiff) and the other party on whom the judgement is given is entitled as *the complainee* (defendant). These two parties

are subjected to the discrimination in accordance with the social positioning of the period as *theaskeriorthereaya* (and as *theurbanite* or *thevillager*).

Table 10. The Social Positions of the Parties of Commercial Problems Experienced in Istanbul in Eighteenth-Century

SOCIAL POSITION	SOCIAL POSITIONS OF APPLICANT		SOCIAL POSITIONS OF COMPLAINEE	
	CASES	PERCENTAGE	CASES	PERCENTAGE
I. ASKERI	2	1.1%	24	13%
A. Urbanite	2	100%	19	79.2%
B. Villager	-	-	5	20.8%
II. REAYA	183	98.9%	160	86.5%
A. Urbanite	141	77%	120	75%
B. Villager	42	23%	40	25%
SINGLE-ACTING	-	-	2	1.1%

When Table 10 is analyzed, it will be detected that according to the Ahkâm Registers, from the two parties having problems between them in Istanbul in the second half of the eighteenth-century, both the applicant party and the complainee party consist of the class residing in the city. A very high percentage of applicants as 98.9% applying to the central administration for the solution of the problems consists of reaya (77% of dwelling in centrum⁵⁵).⁵⁶ Accordingly, 86.5% of the complainees forming the other party of the judgement composes of reaya (also 75% of dwelling in centrum⁵⁷).⁵⁸

⁵⁵BOA 7/7, BOA 7/19, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/859, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1082, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1203, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278 and BOA 9/1301.

⁵⁶Besides, in the applicant part of the askeri (urbanite): BOA 8/189 and BOA 8/559. In the applicant part of the reaya (villager): BOA 7/166, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/1184, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1179, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1312 and BOA 9/1717.

⁵⁷BOA 7/37, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA

Our other question regarding the social positions of the parties is to determine which parts experiences the commercial problems, in other words to determine “who complains whom”. For this reason, book records are classified regarding the social positions of both parts together.

Table 11. Mutual Social Positions of Parties of the Commercial Problems Experienced in Istanbul in Eighteenth-Century: Who Complains Whom?

SOCIAL POSITIONS OF THE CASE PARTIES		CASES	PERCENTAGE
APPLICANT	COMPLAINEE		
I. ASKERI	ASKERI	-	-
II. ASKERI	REAYA	1	0.5%
III. REAYA	REAYA	160	86.5%
IV. REAYA	ASKERI	24	13%

As can be seen in Table 11, in the eighteenth-century, commercial problems in Istanbul were mostly experienced among the reaya ones. In that, while both parties consist of the reaya at a very high rate like 86.5% of prejudgements⁵⁹, 13% of it was experienced between “the reaya and the askeri”⁶⁰ and only 0.5% of it was experienced between two askeri”⁶¹.

7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/859, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1203, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278 and BOA 9/1301.

⁵⁸Moreover, in *the complainee* part of *the askeri (urbanite)*: BOA 7/7, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1231, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/1232, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/583 and BOA 9/1082. In *the complainee* part of *the askeri (villager)*: BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/1091 and BOA 9/513. In *the complainee* part of *the reaya (villager)*: BOA 7/38, BOA 7/166, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/1184, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1179, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1312 and BOA 9/1717. Moreover in single acting: BOA 7/19 and BOA 8/189.

⁵⁹BOA 7/37, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/166, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/972,

In conclusion, the religion of the parties was determined in the analysis of judgements in accordance with the social positions. Within this framework, the religious distributions of the applicant party and the complainee party are determined from judgements given in accordance with their social positions and are tabulated.

Table 12. The Religious Distributions of *The Applicants* Applying for the Solution of Their Commercial Problems in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century in accordance with Their Social Positions

SOCIAL POSITION OF APPLICANT	RELIGION OF APPLICANT				
	I. MUSLIM	II. NON-MUSLIM	A. Dhimmi	B. Jews	C. Nazarene
I. ASKERI	2	-	-	-	-
II. REAYA	156	30	28	1	1
TOTAL	158	30	28	1	1

As can be followed with Table 12, it is detected that while 2 of the askeri are Muslims;156 (83.9%) of the reaya are Muslims and 16.1% of them Non-Muslims (28 cases Dhimmi,1 cases Jews and 1 casesNazarene) from the applicants applying for the solution of commercial problemsin the related period.

Table 13. The Religious Distributions of *TheComplainee* Party in Problems Experienced in the Commerceof Istanbul, in the Eighteenth-Century in accordance with Its Social Position

SOCIAL POSITION OF COMPLAINEE	RELIGION OF COMPLAINEE				
	I. MUSLIM	II. NON-MUSLIM	A. Dhimmi	B. Jews	C. Nazarene
I. ASKERI	23	1	1	-	-
II. REAYA	145	18	17	-	1
TOTAL	168	19	18	-	1

Also, similar results have been obtained in religious distributions analyzed in accordance with the social position of the complainee party. As can be seen in Table 13, the askeri and the reaya composing of the complainee party are also mostly Muslims. In that,

BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/859, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1203, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278, BOA 9/1301, BOA 9/1312 and BOA 9/1717.

⁶⁰BOA 7/7, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1231, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1232, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/583 and BOA 9/1082.

⁶¹ BOA 8/559.

while 23 askeri complained are Muslims (and only 1 cases Non-Muslim/Dhimmi), a very high rate of reaya as 89% (145 cases) are also Muslims (and only 19 cases Non-Muslims).

E. The Regimentation of the Parties of Commercial problems Experienced in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century in accordance with Their Religions

The data about the religious characteristics of the persons being a party to the commercial problems seen in between 1764-1780 years are obtained from the records of Istanbul Ahkâm Registers. According to the record systematic of Ahkâm Register, the religious characteristics of two parties having a dispute between themselves are mentioned with their names. From this point of view, the purpose is to classify parties having a dispute between themselves in accordance with their religions and (i) “the distributions of Muslim and Non-Muslim in judgements” and (ii) “the mutual religions of the parties” are analyzed.

In the relevant period, the religious distributions of the applicant and the complainees parties having disputes between themselves are evaluated in terms of Muslim, Non-Muslim and joint applicants.

Table 14. Religions of the Parties Experiencing Problems in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century: Muslim and Non-Muslim Distributions

RELIGIOUS COMPOSITION	RELIGION OF APPLICANT		RELIGION OF COMPLAINEE	
	CASES	PERCENTAGE	CASES	PERCENTAGE
I. MUSLIM	158	82.7%	167	87.4%
II. NON-MUSLIM	30	15.7%	19	9.9%
A. Dhimmi	28	93.3%	18	94.7%
B. Jews	1	3.3%	-	-
C. Nazarene	1	3.3%	1	5.3%
III. RELIGION OF JOINT APPLICANTS	3	1.6%	3	1.6%
A. Muslim and Dhimmi	3	100%	3	100%
B. Dhimmi and Nazarene	-	-	-	-
IV. SINGLE-ACTING	-	-	2	1%

When this classification concluded in Table 14 is analyzed, it will be seen that Muslim people have intensity in both parties experiencing problems in Istanbul in the related period. In that, while 82.7%⁶² of the applicants and 87.4%⁶³ of the complainees are Muslims; only

⁶²BOA 7/7, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/166, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/189, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513,

15.7%⁶⁴ of the applicants and 9.9%⁶⁵ of the complainees are Non-Muslims. Also, it is determined that these Non-Muslims are mainly Dhimmi. Nevertheless, it can be similarly seen that parties of the joint applicants consist of “Muslim and Dhimmi” (both are 3 cases)⁶⁶.

Also, the data related to the mutual religious characteristics of the parties having disputes between themselves is obtained from Istanbul Ahkâm Registers analyzed with relation to the eighteenth-century.

BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278, BOA 9/1301 and BOA 9/1717.

⁶³BOA 7/7, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/166, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278 and BOA 9/1301.

⁶⁴*Dhimmi of the applicant*: BOA 7/19, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1178, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/1082, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1203 and BOA 9/1312. *Jews of the applicant*: BOA 7/545. *Nazarene of the applicant*: BOA 9/859.

⁶⁵*Dhimmi of the complainee*: BOA 7/502, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1234, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/1088, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/1082, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1203, BOA 9/1312 and BOA 9/1717. *Nazarene of the complainee*: BOA 9/859.

⁶⁶*The applicant part of the joint application (Muslim and Dhimmi)*: BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1231 and BOA 9/202. Also, *the complainee part of joint application (Muslim and Dhimmi)*: BOA 8/276, BOA 8/352 and BOA 8/1088.

Table 15. The Mutual Religions of the Parties Having Disputes Between Themselves in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century

THE MUTUAL RELIGIONS OF THE PARTIES		CASES	PERCENTAGE
APPLICANT	COMPLAINEE		
I. MUSLIM	MUSLIM	154	83.2%
II. MUSLIM	NON-MUSLIM	6	3.2%
A. MUSLIM	DHIMMI	6	100%
B. MUSLIM	JEWS	-	-
C. MUSLIM	NAZARENE	-	-
III. NON-MUSLIM	MUSLIM	16	8.6%
A. DHIMMI	MUSLIM	16	100%
B. JEWS	MUSLIM	-	-
C. NAZARENE	MUSLIM	-	-
III. NON-MUSLIM	NON-MUSLIM	13	7%
A. DHIMMI	DHIMMI	11	84.6%
B. DHIMMI	NAZARENE	-	-
C. JEWS	DHIMMI	1	7.7%
D. NAZARENE	DHIMMI	-	-
E. NAZARENE	NAZARENE	1	7.7%

As can be seen in Table 15, commercial problems experienced in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century have mainly appeared between two Muslims. According to the related Ahkâm Registers, 93% of the prejudgements related to the commercial disputes are for the Muslim subject. Also, 83.2% of the commercial problems have occurred between two Muslims⁶⁷.

On the other hand, it can be seen in only 29 cases of all 185 cases in the related period that at least one of the parties is Non-Muslim. In that, 7% of prejudgements concerning the problems is between two Non-Muslims⁶⁸ (84.6% of these are between two Dhimmis), 8.6% of

⁶⁷BOA 7/7, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/166, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220, BOA 8/222, BOA 8/242, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580, BOA 8/600, BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114, BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278 and BOA 9/1301.

⁶⁸Between two *Dhimmis*: BOA 7/502, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1234, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/948, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/1082, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1203 and BOA 9/1312. Between "*Jews and Dhimmi*": BOA 7/545. Between two *Nazarenes*: BOA 9/859.

it is between “Non-Muslim and Muslim”⁶⁹ (all of these are between “Dhimmi and Muslim”) and 3.2% of it is between “Muslim and Non-Muslim”⁷⁰ (all of these are also between “Muslim and Dhimmi”).

F. The Regimentation of the Problems Experienced in Istanbul in the Eighteenth-Century in Accordance With Years

The last classification in the Ahkâm Registers of the problems experienced in the commerce of Istanbul in between 1764-1780 years period is based on the evaluation of judgements in accordance with years. Our intention in the classification of prejudgements in accordance with years is to determine how the frequency of commercial problems change by years. Within this framework, dates of the judgement in the Ahkâm Registers are analyzed to make classification in accordance with years.

Table 16. Years in which Istanbul Commercial Problems are Experienced in the Eighteenth-Century

YEAR	CASES	PERCENTAGE
1764-1767	73	39.5%
1768-1771	24	13%
1772-1775	16	8.6%
1776-1779	72	38.9%
TOTAL	185	100%

When the classifications of problems seen in Istanbul commerce in between 1764-1780 years as our analyzing period made on the basis of years –in table 16- are evaluated, it is detected that applications about commercial problems are relatively high in between 1764-1767 years⁷¹, it gradually decreases towards at the beginning of 1770s. In that, while 1764-1780 years period, 39.5% (73 cases) of the commercial problems experienced in Istanbul in between 1764-1767 years period and only 13% (24 cases) of them lived in between 1768-1771 years period⁷². And then, while only 8.6% (16 cases) of them are seen in between 1772-1775 years period⁷³, 38.9% (72 cases) of these problems experienced in 1776-1779 years period⁷⁴.

⁶⁹Between “Dhimmi and Muslim”: BOA 7/38, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/1131, BOA 8/1178, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/248 and BOA 9/970.

⁷⁰Between “Muslim and Dhimmi”: BOA 7/698, BOA 7/991, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/1088 and BOA 9/1717.

⁷¹The cases regarding between 1764 and 1767 years are BOA 7/7, BOA 7/19, BOA 7/37, BOA 7/38, BOA 7/166, BOA 7/197, BOA 7/202, BOA 7/232, BOA 7/233, BOA 7/369, BOA 7/373, BOA 7/434, BOA 7/502, BOA 7/526, BOA 7/535, BOA 7/545, BOA 7/554, BOA 7/597, BOA 7/668, BOA 7/683, BOA 7/685, BOA 7/698, BOA 7/732, BOA 7/766, BOA 7/786, BOA 7/790, BOA 7/795, BOA 7/891, BOA 7/896, BOA 7/921, BOA 7/963, BOA 7/973, BOA 7/991, BOA 7/997, BOA 7/1000, BOA 7/1007, BOA 7/1014, BOA 7/1072, BOA 7/1073, BOA 7/1096, BOA 7/1154, BOA 7/1161, BOA 7/1170, BOA 7/1178, BOA 7/1179, BOA 7/1184, BOA 7/1185, BOA 7/1211, BOA 7/1230, BOA 7/1231, BOA 7/1234, BOA 7/1236, BOA 8/8, BOA 8/9, BOA 8/34, BOA 8/47, BOA 8/48, BOA 8/85, BOA 8/106, BOA 8/114, BOA 8/149, BOA 8/156, BOA 8/161, BOA 8/189, BOA 8/199, BOA 8/203, BOA 8/206, BOA 8/207, BOA 8/208, BOA 8/209, BOA 8/212, BOA 8/220 and BOA 8/222.

⁷²The registers related to between 1768 and 1771 years are BOA 8/242, BOA 8/276, BOA 8/286, BOA 8/298, BOA 8/300, BOA 8/306, BOA 8/310, BOA 8/324, BOA 8/350, BOA 8/352, BOA 8/359, BOA 8/368, BOA 8/377, BOA 8/383, BOA 8/407, BOA 8/427, BOA 8/466, BOA 8/494, BOA 8/542, BOA 8/553, BOA 8/559, BOA 8/566, BOA 8/580 and BOA 8/600.

⁷³The cases related to between 1772 and 1775 years are BOA 8/608, BOA 8/671, BOA 8/764, BOA 8/784, BOA 8/811, BOA 8/839, BOA 8/862, BOA 8/929, BOA 8/942, BOA 8/948, BOA 8/972, BOA 8/1088, BOA 8/1091, BOA 8/1110, BOA 8/1114 and BOA 8/1131.

Also it is pointed out that commercial problems of Istanbul is relatively high especially in 1776 (15.1%) and 1767 (13.5%) years.

III. CONCLUSION

This archive study having the aim of analyzing the commerce in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century is based on the regimentation of *Istanbul Ahkâm Registers* of the period. With this purpose, records of Istanbul Ahkâm Registers including commercial problems related to the period between January 1764-May 1779 years are analyzed. In the related registers, 185 cases are detected related to the problems concerning the commerce in Istanbul.

Each register detected is classified according to (i) the book numbers in the *Ahkâm Registers*, (ii) the application places according to the Istanbul townships, (iii) problems experienced in the commerce, (iv) social positions of the parties, (v) religions of the parties, and (vi) year variables which are determined by ourselves.

Records related to the commercial problems experienced in between 1764-1780 years in Istanbul take place in the 7-9 numbers of Ahkâm Books. In this period in which 185 judgements were given, it is determined that maximum decisions takes place in the book numbered 8 (71 cases and the 38.4% of total judgements).

According to Ahkâm Records, the most important problems experienced in Istanbul commerce are related to the general subjects of *commerce, price, assignation, transport and storage of merchandise* (95 cases and the 51.4% of total judgments) and *maritime trade, shipping, marine accident and shipwrecked Merchandise* (67 cases and the 36.2% of total judgments). These problems are respectively followed by titles as *trading debt and credit* (13.5%), *tariff and tax* (11.9%), *security of the artery of commerce and accommodation* (6.5%) and *other disputes* (0.5%).

The commercial problems experienced in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century related to *commerce, price, assignation, transport and storage of merchandise* are mainly related to the “provide and transport of product, firewood and coal” (70 cases), “commerce” (47 cases), “controlled price” (15 cases), “distribution, division and assignation” (11 cases) and “slave trade” (3 cases). It is seen that “rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship” (59 cases), “closing with the land and anchorage statute” (3 cases) and “shipbuilding” (1 case) problems are experienced related to *maritime trade, shipping, marine accident and shipwrecked merchandise* subjects. While problems of the “tax” (20 cases) and “tariff” (3 cases) are mainly experienced in *tariff and tax*; the *trading debt and credit* are generally for “debit and credit disputes between trader and third-party” (11 cases), “debit and credit disputes between trader and partners” (5 cases), “debit and credit disputes between traders” (4 cases) and “debit and credit disputes between ship owner and traders” (3 cases) and the concentration about *security of the artery of commerce and*

⁷⁴The decisions regarding between 1776 and 1779 years are BOA 8/1139, BOA 8/1146, BOA 8/1151, BOA 8/1178, BOA 8/1179, BOA 8/1185, BOA 8/1186, BOA 8/1203, BOA 8/1232, BOA 8/1261, BOA 9/13, BOA 9/19, BOA 9/20, BOA 9/22, BOA 9/74, BOA 9/194, BOA 9/196, BOA 9/200, BOA 9/201, BOA 9/202, BOA 9/210, BOA 9/212, BOA 9/243, BOA 9/248, BOA 9/267, BOA 9/274, BOA 9/285, BOA 9/304, BOA 9/352, BOA 9/423, BOA 9/438, BOA 9/449, BOA 9/471, BOA 9/474, BOA 9/489, BOA 9/513, BOA 9/558, BOA 9/560, BOA 9/583, BOA 9/635, BOA 9/646, BOA 9/723, BOA 9/725, BOA 9/730, BOA 9/740, BOA 9/741, BOA 9/759, BOA 9/775, BOA 9/796, BOA 9/859, BOA 9/860, BOA 9/896, BOA 9/899, BOA 9/966, BOA 9/970, BOA 9/982, BOA 9/986, BOA 9/1013, BOA 9/1046, BOA 9/1052, BOA 9/1058, BOA 9/1082, BOA 9/1085, BOA 9/1124, BOA 9/1146, BOA 9/1179, BOA 9/1203, BOA 9/1254, BOA 9/1278, BOA 9/1301, BOA 9/1312 and BOA 9/1717.

accommodation are on the “pilferage, distraint, bogus-sale of merchandise and the murder of trader” (12 cases) and “inn and repair-maintenance of the inn”.

In the eighteenth-century, Istanbul provincial border split up main two hinterlands as *Surici* and *Bilad-ı Selase* (*Galata*, *Uskudar* and *Haslar*). For this reason, shape of the study in accordance with the place is around *Surici*, *Galata*, *Uskudar* and *Haslar* (Eyup) regions and the sub-districts connected with them.

It is detected that in our related study period, maximum commercial problems have been experienced in *Uskudar* region (especially in the sub-district of *Sile* aforementioned in the 55.9% of total decisions). While 31.9% of the *Ahkâm* records is related to the *Uskudar* region; 28.6% of it belongs to *Haslar*, 22.7% of it belongs to *Surici* and 16.8% of it belongs to *Galata* region. It is also seen that in the analysis based on the sub-districts related to the these *Bilad-ı Selase* regions, commercial problems are centered upon the sub-districts of *Marmara* (25.8%) and *Kapudagi* (19.4%) in *Galata* region, of *Sile* (44%) and *Kandiri* (13.6%) in *Uskudar* region and of *Midye* (28.3%) and *Terkos* (24.5%) in *Haslar* region.

When the distributions according to the subjects of commercial problems experienced in these four regions of Istanbul are analyzed, it is detected that problems of *commerce* (18 cases) and *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (18 cases) are often experienced in *Surici*, problems of *rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship* (11 cases), *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (4 cases) and *debit and credit disputes between trader and third-party* (4 cases) are mainly experienced in *Galata*, problems of *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (23 cases), *commerce* (17 cases), *rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship* (17 cases) are mainly experienced in *Uskudar* township and problems of *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (25 cases) and *rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship* (21 cases) are mainly experienced in *Haslar* townships.

In between the periods of 1764-1780 years, to evaluate the judgements of *Ahkâm Registers* given related to the commerce in Istanbul according to the social classes of the parties, judgement are detailed as *theaskeri* and *thereaya*. In conclusion of this regimentation, both *theapplicant* party applying for the delivering of the judgement and *thecomplaine* party against whom the judgement is delivered consist of *thereaya* residing in the city center. In that, while a very high rate of *applicants* applying to the central administration for the solution of problems experienced in Istanbul as 98.9% consist of *thereaya* (77% of whom settled in the city), 86.5% of *thecomplainees* are composed of *thereaya* (75% of whom reside in the centrum).

In the eighteenth-century, commercial problems in Istanbul were mostly experienced among *thereaya* ones. In that, while both parties consist of *thereaya* at a very high rate like 86.5% of prejudgements, 13% of it was experienced between “*thereaya* and *theaskeri*” and only 0.5% of it was experienced between “*theaskeri* and *thereaya*”.

Also, the data about the religious characteristics of parties experiencing commercial disputes between them are obtained from the records of *Istanbul Ahkâm Registers*. For this reason, judgements in the registers are evaluated by classifying as *Muslim* and *Non-Muslim*. In conclusion of the classification, it is determined that commercial problems in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century are mainly experienced among *Muslims*. According to the related *Ahkâm Registers*, 93% of judgements given related to the commercial disputes are for the *Muslim* subjects. In that, while 82.7% of *theapplicants* and 87.2% of *thecomplainees* are *Muslims*, only 15.7% of *theapplicants* and 9.9% of *thecomplainees* are *Non-Muslims* (and mainly

Dhimmis). This situation supports the claim of the population of *Muslims* in Istanbul in the eighteenth-century is more intensive than others.

On the other hand, it is seen that while *Muslim* subjects experience the problems related to the *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (63 cases and 39.9%), *rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship* (53 cases and 33.5%), *commerce* (44 cases and 27.8%), *controlled price* (15 cases and 9.5%) and *tax* (15 cases and 9.5%); *Non-Muslim* subjects also experience mainly the problems related to the *provide and transport of product, firewood and coal* (9 cases and 30%), *tax* (6 cases and 20%), *rescue, protection and returning to the owner of the merchandise of the wrecked ship* (6 cases and 20%) and *pilferage, distraint, bogus-sale of merchandise and the murder of trader* (4 cases and 13.3%).

In conclusion, judgements given in *Istanbul Ahkâm Registers* related to the commerce are evaluated in terms of time. For this reason, the registers belonging to the eighteenth-century (1764-1780) are classified in accordance with the years indicated in the judgements. In conclusion of the classification, it is detected that commercial problems experienced in between 1764-1767 years is relatively high and they have gradually decreased towards 1772-1775. Thus, while 39.5% of the problems is experienced in between 1764-1767 years, 8.6% of it is experienced in between 1772-1775 years. Complaints related to the commercial problems in Istanbul intensified in respectively 1776 and 1767 years.

Besides, it is detected that commercial problems were often experienced in *Surici* and *Galata* regions in 1776-1779, intensely in *Uskudar* and *Haslar* regions in 1764-1767 years.

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