



Claire Manley

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Claire Manley has a broad range of experience covering marine, aviation, vehicle funding, equipment financing, receivables funding, Islamic financing and banking.

Claire's clients include banks, corporates, leasing companies, vehicle funders, airlines, shipping companies, aircraft operators, ship owners, corporates and high net worth individuals.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English

- Finance

- Financial Services
- Infrastructure, Construction and Transport

English

- Advising a Belgian bank on the €160m refund guarantee financing of one of the world's largest cutting and suction dredgers built by the Uljanik shipyard in Croatia.
- Acting for a Greek shipping company on the €50m financing of two new build pure car and truck carriers.
- Advising the UK lender on a €23.5m Maltese lease structured financing for an English LLP in relation to the purchase of one 63m Benetti superyacht flagged in the Isle of Man.
- Advising a Middle-Eastern airline in connection with its financing of Boeing 787-9 aircraft, including the negotiation and co-ordination of the senior and junior financing arrangements and leasing arrangements.
- Advising a Chinese joint venture vehicle in connection with its acquisition, financing and leasing of a fleet of Airbus A380 on lease to a large European airline and co-ordinating advice on all matters across four jurisdictions.
- Acting for a UK lender in connection with a US\$40m financing for the purchase of a Dassault Falcon 7x aircraft registered on the G-register and involving Singapore, Netherlands, Isle of Man and English counsel; and subsequently dealing with various intra-group restructuring amendments.
- Advising several UK financiers on standard form asset finance documentation, including preparing standard operating, finance and lease purchase documents, agency documentation, sale of receivables documents, repurchase agreements and security documentation.
- Acting for a UK clearing bank on the stage payment and post-commissioning financing of thermoformers, plastic extruders,

machinery and other equipment for a global packaging company, the equipment being manufactured in Turkey and Italy and installed and commissioned in Australia.

- Acting for a financier in relation to a £50m master operating lease agreement for trailers and tractors to a UK supermarket group and related buyback arrangements with various Suppliers.
- Representing the asset finance arm of a UK bank on its floorplan funding for a large German vehicle manufacturer in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Portugal and Ireland.

CREDENTIALS

Recognitions

Named as an “Associate to Watch” in:

- *Chambers UK 2021*– Aviation Finance (UK wide)
- *Chambers High Net Worth 2020* – Private Aircraft (Global-wide)
- *Chambers UK 2020* – Aviation Finance (UK wide)

“Her knowledge is outstanding and her communications are extremely thorough and detailed.” (*Chambers High Net Worth, 2020*)

“Very knowledgeable in equipment financing matters and very responsive,” according to a client. She advises on the acquisition, sale and leasing of aircraft for banks and airlines.” (*Chambers UK, 2020*)

“Claire Manley deserves a mention. Claire is incredibly knowledgeable in her sector and will always look at ways to provide a solution, taking time to understand the issue and provide advice and guidance. Claire is extremely likeable, approachable and calm and an absolute pleasure to work with.” (*Legal 500, 2021*)

Education

- College of Law, LPC
- University of Sheffield, LLB (Hons)