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Claire Hall focuses her practice on structured finance and derivatives. Claire represents issuers, underwriters and purchasers across a broad range of domestic and cross-border finance transactions including CLOs and securitizations. Her experience includes traditional and non-traditional assets classes including financings involving trade receivables, PACE, management fees, developer fees and cashflows from multifamily housing assets.

Claire has significant experience representing financial institutions, hedge funds, asset managers, dealers and end users in relation to a variety of derivatives transactions. She advises on regulatory issues affecting derivatives under Dodd-Frank and EMIR. Claire also advises on matters related to the California cap and trade scheme.

Claire is currently a co-chair of DLA Piper's LIBOR Transition Practice and co-head of the Derivatives Group.

**LANGUAGES SPOKEN**

- Engleză
- Germană

- Finance
- Derivatives
- Structured Finance and Securitization
- Sustainability and Environmental, Social and Governance

- Financial Services

Engleză Germană

- Acting as counsel to swap providers and counterparties in relation to credit default swaps, fixed-income derivatives, foreign exchange transactions including non-deliverable forward transactions, repurchase agreements, total return swaps, securities and stock lending, options, interest rate derivatives, currency derivatives and equity derivatives and related products
- Advising on and negotiating documentation in relation to commodity transactions including emissions allowances (EU and US, including in relation to the California cap and trade scheme), power and fuel trading, both in respect of cash and physically settled transactions
- Advising on swap termination and closeout of OTC derivatives, including in the context of bankruptcy and restructuring

- Advising major financial institutions in relation to synthetic CDO transactions
- Advising in relation to project finance and other finance linked swaps
- Advising on custody arrangements and collateral management
- Advising on legal and regulatory matters affecting derivatives transactions and the derivatives market, including with respect to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the European Market Infrastructure Regulation (EMIR). Recent representations include advising US and non-US based hedge funds, asset managers, end users, banks and other financial institutions on regulatory and compliance issues associated with the Dodd Frank Act and EMIR; advising on the migration of OTC products to clearing and the negotiation of cleared derivatives agreements and on-boarding documentation; advising on commodity pool operator and commodity trading adviser issues affecting asset managers, securitizations and other investment vehicles; advising on extraterritoriality issues; and the new swap reporting and record keeping rules
- Advising on secured lending transactions with respect to the film industry
- Advising on film finance transactions

## CREDENTIALS

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### Admissions

- California
- England and Wales
- New York

### Prior Experience

Claire joined the firm having previously worked at leading law firms in New York, Los Angeles and London.

### Recognitions

- 2017 Corporate Intl Magazine Global Award: Hedge Fund Transactions Lawyer of the Year in California
- Claire has been named a Southern California Super Lawyer Rising Star by the publisher of *Law & Politics* and *Los Angeles* magazines 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018
- *The Legal 500 United States*  
2020 - Recommended, Structured Finance: Securitization

### Education

- College of Law, London 2002
- LL.B. (Hon.), English and German Laws, Liverpool University 2001

### Memberships

- American Bar Association – Derivatives and Futures Law Committee
- Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles
- 100 Women in Finance

## INSIGHTS

### Publications

**For funds participating in commodities markets: Understanding pool operator and commodity trading advisor registration**

8 June 2022

As commodities markets present more investment opportunities and investors enter these markets or expand their activities in the commodities markets, it is important for funds to understand the CFTC regulations applicable to CPOs and CTAs.

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### **Are SLDs swaps under US regulation? A look at ISDA's analysis**

14 March 2022

A quick overview of *Regulatory Considerations for Sustainability Linked Derivatives*.

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### **California agency assesses climate impact of four major agricultural programs**

7 February 2022

The findings imply a commitment to follow-up that may have ramifications for farmers and agricultural producers who use the programs.

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### **As California aims to achieve carbon neutrality, CARB is updating the Scoping Plan: stakeholders may take part in the September 30 workshop**

27 September 2021

An opportunity to engage with California's strategic approach to addressing climate change.

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### **LIBOR transition updates: New York passes key USD LIBOR transition legislation**

7 May 2021

The New York LIBOR Bill will ease the LIBOR transition by creating statutory remedies for so called "tough legacy" contracts.

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### **Creating voluntary carbon markets: IIF recommendations and consultation – suggestions due by December 10**

17 November 2020

The Taskforce's recommendations are based on core carbon principles to help establish standardized benchmark contracts for listing on exchanges and using existing infrastructure.

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### **Assessing ESG factors in the energy sector**

27 October 2020

ESG Handbooks and Guides

A reference tool for energy companies as they discuss and refine their ESG programs.

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## PACTA for Banks brings climate scenario analysis to financial institutions

7 October 2020

PACTA for Banks is a toolkit for financial institutions to measure the alignment of their corporate lending portfolios with climate scenarios across a set of key climate-relevant sectors and technologies.

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## CFTC final cross-border rule replaces cross-border guidance

3 September 2020

The Final Rules establish a standard of review that the CFTC will apply to comparability determinations that emphasizes a holistic, outcomes-based approach.

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## CFTC approves final cross-border guidance of the swap provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act

12 JUL 2013

The Final Guidance aims to set forth the CFTC's policy on the application of the swap provisions of the Commodities Exchange Act to cross-border activities

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- Co-author, "Cross-Border Impact of US Margin Rules," *Thomson Reuters*, December 9, 2016
- Co-author, "Life on the margin: US margin rules finalized at last," *Journal of Investment Compliance*, Vol. 17, No. 2, 2016
- Co-author, "To Report Or Not To Report: Responding To Boycott Requests," *Law360*, September 21, 2015
- Co-author, "Sink Or Swim? The New Reality of Regulatory Risk in the Energy Markets," *Pratt's Energy Law Report*, LexisNexis
- Co-author, "A Practical Examination of the Regulatory Oversight of Energy Marketing & Trading Companies in the United States," *Energy Law Advisor*, Vol. 8, No. 5 – November 2014
- "Hedging Carbon Risks," *California Current*, Volume 12, Number 18, May 9, 2014

## Events

### Previous

#### Investors' and Issuers' Perspective

29 September 2020 | 11:00 - 12:00 ET  
Webinar

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- Speaker, Navigating the LIBOR Transition," DLA Piper webinar, July 8, 2020
- Speaker, "Swap Collateral Documentation and the New Final Margin Regulations for Uncleared Swaps," Strafford Webinar, September 29, 2016
- Panelist, "CFTC Proposed Rule for the Cross Border Application of the Margin Requirements," The Knowledge Group Webcast, January 22, 2016
- Presenter, "Your Firm and the ISDA Resolution Stay Protocol," The Knowledge Group Webcast, June 17, 2015
- Speaker, "Global Derivatives Regulations," ACA Compliance Group Fall 2013 Compliance Conference, October 10, 2013

## NEWS

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### **DLA Piper advises Dundee Partners in its US\$1.1 billion acquisition, with KKR, of Kobalt Capital's Fund II music rights portfolio**

19 October 2021

DLA Piper represented Dundee Partners, the investment office of the Hendel family, in its acquisition, together in a joint venture with global investment firm KKR, of the KMR Music Royalties II portfolio from Kobalt Capital Limited for approximately US\$1.1 billion.

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### **DLA Piper advises HarbourView Equity Partners in its launch and strategic relationship with Apollo Global Management**

8 October 2021

DLA Piper represented HarbourView Equity Partners, a global alternative asset manager focused on investment opportunities in the media and entertainment space, in its recent launch and the establishment of a strategic relationship with Apollo Global Management, Inc. (NYSE: APO) (together with its consolidated subsidiaries, "Apollo"), a global alternative investment management firm. Apollo clients and funds will serve as lead investors in HarbourView.

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### **DLA Piper advises Aligned Energy on US\$1.725 billion of structured sustainable debt financing, including largest-ever inaugural data center securitization**

25 August 2021

DLA Piper represented Aligned Energy in the largest inaugural data center securitization and first-ever green data center securitization.

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### **DLA Piper advises Concord in closing of US\$1 billion in debt financing**

18 August 2020

DLA Piper represented Concord in a US\$600 million term loan B debt offering and US\$450 million revolving credit facility, providing the company with access to over US\$1 billion of total debt financing in one of the largest music industry financings in recent times.

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