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SECTORS: Maritime, Transport

SERVICES: Project Finance, Asset Finance and Leasing, Finance

BIO

CHRISTOFOROS IS HEAD OF THE ASIA ASSETS AND STRUCTURED FINANCE GROUP AND A FOREIGN LEGAL CONSULTANT (ENGLAND & WALES). HE IS ALSO HEAD OF OUR HONG KONG OFFICE.

Christoforos focusses on all types of cross-border asset and project financings (in particular ship lease and debt, including ECA, financings), loan restructurings, work-outs and enforcement.

His clients include leading international banks in the shipping sector, Chinese financial leasing companies and top league shipping groups.

Christoforos has a wealth of experience advising on finance deals involving Asia and the West and has led in high profile, award-winning and landscape changing ship finance transactions.

He is recommended as a leading lawyer in Hong Kong for shipping finance by legal directories Legal 500 Asia Pacific, Chambers Asia Pacific and Chambers Global. Legal 500 most recently described him as “excellent”, with Chambers highlighting his “innovation and ability to solve problems in a commercial way”.

He is registered as a Foreign Legal Consultant (England & Wales) with the HK law society.

EXPERIENCE

Advising CMB Financial Leasing on US\$648m sale and leaseback of eight vessels.

WATSON FARLEY & WILLIAMS

Advising CMB Financial Leasing Co., Ltd on a US\$180.4m sale and leaseback transaction of 15 dry bulk vessels with Star Bulk Carriers Corp.

Advising lenders in relation to a US\$318m syndicated senior ECA loan facility which finances the acquisition of five new buildings built for CMB Financial Leasing and bareboat chartered to Seaspan.

Advising CSIC Leasing Co. Ltd on a US\$65.5m sale and leaseback transaction with Eletson Corporation, a Greek tanker owner and operator.

Advising Minsheng Financial Leasing in the sale and leaseback of 18 container vessels with subsidiaries of Navios Maritime Containers Inc.

EDUCATION

2000 – 2001 · College of Law-Guildford LPC

1998 – 1999 · University of Essex LLM in international trade law

1995 – 1998 · University of Essex LLB

MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS

Law Society England & Wales (SRA)

Athens Bar Association

INSIGHTS

PRESS **WFW ADVISES JSFL ON US\$75M FINANCING FOR 10 CHEMICAL/OIL PRODUCTS TANKERS AND FOUR GENERAL CARGO VESSELS**

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-jsfl-on-us75m-financing-for-10-chemical-oil-products-tankers-and-four-general-cargo-vessels/

AWARD **WFW HONG KONG OFFICE HEAD CHRISTOFOROS BISBIKOS NAMED A-LIST VISIONARY BY CBLJ**

www.wfw.com/awards/wfw-hong-kong-office-head-christoforos-bisbikos-named-a-list-visionary-by-cblj/

EVENT **MARITIME SEMINAR – HONG KONG**

www.wfw.com/events/maritime-seminar-hong-kong/

EVENT **MARITIME SEMINAR – SEOUL**

www.wfw.com/events/maritime-seminar-seoul/

AWARD

WFW RECOGNISED AS LEADING INTERNATIONAL LAW FIRM FOR SHIPPING AND AVIATION AT CBLJ AWARDS 2023

www.wfw.com/awards/wfw-recognised-as-leading-international-law-firm-for-shipping-and-aviation-at-cblj-awards-2023/
