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**SECTORS:** Aviation, Maritime

**SERVICES:** Asset Finance and Leasing, Finance

## BIO

### SIMON IS A PARTNER IN THE FIRM'S ASSET FINANCE GROUP BASED IN TOKYO.

Simon is a registered foreign lawyer (Gaikokuho Jimu Bengoshi) in Japan and qualified in England.

Simon advises clients on complex cross-border finance transactions, with a focus on the aviation and maritime sectors. He helps clients navigate the strategic intricacies of a wide range of deals, including asset and project finance, structured lending, leasing and commercial shipping transactions.

Simon offers clients the benefit of his international experience – having worked in Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong, London and the United Arab Emirates.

Simon has been commended by legal directories and industry journals such as Legal 500, Chambers, and Airfinance Journal, particularly in relation to aircraft and ship finance transactions.

Simon is ranked in both Global and Asia-Pacific listings for Asset Finance by Chambers Global and Chambers Asia-Pacific.

## EXPERIENCE

Representing Aeroméxico as lessee in connection with the JOLCO financing of three 787-9 aircraft with three different debt and equity syndicates. The first JOLCO was named "Tax Lease Deal of the Year (2016)" by Airfinance Journal.

# WATSON FARLEY & WILLIAMS

Representing Avianca in connection with the JOLCO financing for Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner and Airbus A320 aircraft. The JOLCO structure was recognized by the Financial Times in its FT Innovative Lawyers Asia-Pacific 2018 report where Simon's representation of Avianca in a JOLCO financing was highly commended in the category of "Legal Expertise: Accessing new markets & capital".

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Representing BNPP and, separately, CACIB, in a series of JOLCO financings of vintage Boeing 747-8 aircraft for Atlas Air.

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Representing Financial Products Group in connection with financing a series of container vessels worth USD1.7bn with Chinese and Korean ECA covered JOLCO facilities. The deal was recognised as Marine Money's ECA Deal of the Year 2021.

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Representing Quantum Pacific Shipping in connection with its JOLCO financing of a VLEC carrier in 2021.

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## EDUCATION

1995 · College of Law, York, L.P.C.

1991 · University of Bristol, LL.B.

## MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Daini Tokyo Bar Association

Law Society of England

## INSIGHTS

### PRESS **WFW ADVISES CA-CIB ON JOLCO ACQUISITION FINANCING OF BOEING 777F FREIGHTER AIRCRAFT FOR ATLAS AIR**

[www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-ca-cib-on-jolco-acquisition-financing-of-boeing-777f-freighter-aircraft-for-atlas-air/](http://www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-ca-cib-on-jolco-acquisition-financing-of-boeing-777f-freighter-aircraft-for-atlas-air/)

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### EVENT **BREAKFAST SEMINAR 'FINANCIAL LEASING IN GERMANY'**

[www.wfw.com/events/breakfast-seminar-financial-leasing-in-germany/](http://www.wfw.com/events/breakfast-seminar-financial-leasing-in-germany/)

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### EVENT **MARITIME SEMINAR – TOKYO**

[www.wfw.com/events/maritime-seminar-tokyo/](http://www.wfw.com/events/maritime-seminar-tokyo/)

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### PRESS **WFW OPENS TOKYO OFFICE**

[www.wfw.com/press/wfw-opens-tokyo-office/](http://www.wfw.com/press/wfw-opens-tokyo-office/)

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## PRESS

### WFW ADVISES BNPP ON US\$1,170M SINOSURE-BACKED JOLCOS FOR 15 SEASPAN CONTAINER VESSELS

[www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-bnpp-on-us1170m-sinosure-backed-jolcos-for-15-seaspan-container-vessels/](http://www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-bnpp-on-us1170m-sinosure-backed-jolcos-for-15-seaspan-container-vessels/)

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