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**SERVICES:** ECA Finance, Project Finance, Asset Finance and Leasing, Finance, Restructuring and Insolvency

## BIO

**SHUSUKE FUKUNAGA IS A PARTNER IN THE FIRM'S ASSETS & STRUCTURED FINANCE GROUP BASED IN TOKYO.**

Shusuke is a licensed Japanese lawyer (*Bengoshi*) and is also admitted as Solicitor in England & Wales.

Shusuke has extensive experience in a broad range of banking and finance transactions (both domestic and cross-border) with a focus on aviation and maritime asset finance. He frequently advises banks, trading houses, leasing companies, ECAs and other financial institutions as well as corporate investors on wide-scale cross-border transactions. He offers clients with commercially balanced high quality legal services.

Shusuke is well regarded by clients and peers in the Japanese market and has been commended by legal directories such as Chambers and Legal 500 in relation to Asset Finance and Banking practices in Japan.

Before joining the firm, Shusuke had spent 8 years with Clifford Chance, including secondment to Morgan Stanley MUFG Securities, and also worked at White & Case for 6 years. He is one of the founding members of the firm's Tokyo office, Watson Farley & Williams (Gaikokuho Kyodo Jigyo Horitsu Jimusho).

## EXPERIENCE

Advising major Japanese banks, trading houses, leasing companies and specialist funds in relation to the lease restructuring during the COVID pandemic time for a number of airlines and lessors including Virgin Australia, Nordic Aviation Capital, LATAM, Garuda, Norwegian Air Shuttle, etc (2020-2022).

# WATSON FARLEY & WILLIAMS

Advising Japan Bank for International Cooperation on its US\$1 billion loan facilities for SMBC Aviation Capital (2019).

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Advising Bank of Communications, China Construction Bank and Development Bank of Japan as lenders on JOLCO of one Boeing 787 aircraft and two A320 aircraft leased to Juneyao Airlines (2019-2020).

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Advising a Japanese major airline on operating lease transactions involving several A320 aircraft.

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Advising international aircraft lessors on its BEPS-related lease restructuring and refinancing with Japanese airlines.

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## EDUCATION

2011 · University College London, LLM in International Banking and Finance Law

2006 · Hitotsubashi University, Graduate School of Law, J.D.

2004 · Hitotsubashi University, LL.B.

## MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Law Society of England and Wales

Daini Tokyo Bar Association

## INSIGHTS

### 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 PROMOTES ELEVEN TO PARTNERSHIP FOR 2023

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#### WFW OPENS TOKYO OFFICE

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