



Philip Perrotta

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OVERVIEW

Philip Perrotta is a partner in the firm's Finance practice, and he focuses on aviation finance. The nature of his practice is truly international and he frequently works with clients across Europe and South East Asia, specifically in Milan and Singapore as part of the service provided to clients in this practice area.

He is an aviation finance and aviation specialist, recognized as a "leading expert," regularly receiving commendations in the legal directories, for example for being "very strong" and "dealing with all the big points without ever over-lawyering them." He is "experienced" and ensures "an excellent and accessible service" to clients. (Legal 500).

He acts for a broad range of significant aircraft lenders, lessors and operators globally, and has successfully concluded literally hundreds of transactions involving commercial and business aircraft, aero engines and other aviation assets in jurisdictions in all the continents.

He is a regular contributor at industry events and often requested to comment on relevant developments in a variety of segments of the aviation finance market.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Philip was Managing Partner in the London office of a global law firm, as well as head of that firm's aviation finance and leasing practice. He is a prominent participant in the aviation and aviation finance market and, since 2013, has been a contributor to the Aviation and Aviation Finance & Leasing editions of the Legal Guide published by Global Legal Group, for the last 3 years as editor. He regularly interviews for industry media outlets at their request, including recently for Avionews in relation to the high-profile and long-standing developments with the national flag carrier of Italy, Alitalia. In a previous stage of his career, Philip was Legal Director of the aviation services business including aircraft asset management of a major European aircraft manufacturer.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 United Kingdom* edition as a Recommended Lawyer for Transport finance and leasing and Aviation in London, 2024
- *China Business Law Journal's* Deal of the Year, 2021

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

- Solicitors Final Examination, College of Law, 1990

EDUCATION

- B.Sc., University of Surrey, 1989 (*Hons*)

ADMISSIONS

- Solicitor, England and Wales (with Higher Rights of Audience in Civil and Criminal Courts)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation 2020* – contributing editor and author of "*Investing in Mid-Life Aviation Assets*"
- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation 2021* – contributing editor and author of "*Still Investing in Mid-Life Aviation Assets*"
- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation 2022* – contributing editor and author of "*Investing in Mid-Life Aviation Assets – The Final Edition*"
- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation 2023* – contributing editor and author of "*ESG – One of Aviation's Greatest Ever Challenges?*"
- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation Finance & Leasing 2020* – contributing editor and author of "*Aviation Finance & Leasing – A Perspective in 2020*"
- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation Finance & Leasing 2021* – contributing editor and author of "*The Freight Aircraft Sector - New Perspectives*"
- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation Finance & Leasing 2022* – contributing editor and author of "*Aviation Finance and ESG Imperatives – Where Do Things Stand?*"
- International Comparative Legal Guide: *Aviation Finance & Leasing 2023* – contributing editor and author of "*New Technology Aircraft and the Environment – The Financing Challenge*"

NEWS & EVENTS

- 22 June 2023, Nearly 50 K&L Gates Lawyers Throughout Europe Recognized in 2024 Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch Editions
- 29 March 2022, K&L Gates Among China Business Law Journal Deals of the Year Winners

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Aviation Finance
- Restructuring and Insolvency

INDUSTRIES

- Aviation
- Transportation and Logistics

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Lease financing of Airbus A330-300 aircraft for a leading Southeast Asian airline.