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Areas of Practice

Corporate Law | Financing and Commercial Transactions | Global Transport Practice

Mark Leventhal is a Foreign Legal Consultant in the Corporate Law Practice of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP.

Mr. Leventhal is based in the New York office of SGR, is English law qualified (with New York Legal Consultant status), and works in the finance and leasing sector, specializing primarily on structured and asset finance and leasing in the aviation sector. His experience includes acting for banks, export credit agencies and operating lessors on a range of cross-border finance and leasing transactions, including export credit supported financings, cross-border leasing, pre-delivery financings, tax-based structures, and joint venture leasing transactions. Prior to working at SGR, Mr. Leventhal worked for six years in the aircraft finance and leasing practice of a major international law firm in their Paris and London offices.

A tri-national (USA, Germany, UK), Mr. Leventhal has studied and worked in the USA, UK and France. In addition to being a native English speaker, Mr. Leventhal has advanced Spanish and French language skills, and has basic conversational German.

Mr. Leventhal holds a Bachelor of Arts degree and a master's degree from the University of Cambridge, England, and completed the Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL) and the Legal Practice Course (LPC) at BPP University Law School, England. Mr. Leventhal has also completed a Master of Laws (LLM) at New York University School of Law, New York.

Representative Experience

- U.S. based airline – export credit supported financing of 11 Embraer aircraft
- Operating lessor – assignment and assumption of fleet aircraft with various airlines
- Operating lessor – lease of over ten aircraft to United Airlines

- Export credit agency – financing of Gulfstream private jets for buyers in Malaysia and Turkey
- Joint venture investor – negotiating and drafting servicing and remarketing agreements for joint venture financing transaction of various aircraft with different airlines
- Export credit agency – financing of multiple Boeing aircraft for KLM Royal Dutch Airlines
- Export credit agency and American based lender – on the ECA supported financing of two Airbus A350 aircraft for Ethiopian Airlines
- Export credit agency – financing of 13 Airbus A220 aircraft for EgyptAir Airlines
- Export credit agency – financing of 12 Airbus A220 aircraft for Delta Air Lines, including the first ever A220 with final assembly and delivery in the United States
- Export credit agency – financing of 18 Airbus A220 aircraft for Air Canada
- European based lender – JOLCO financing of three Airbus A350 aircraft for Ethiopian Airlines, including the first ever JOLCO to an African airline

Admissions

England and Wales, Qualified Solicitor

Memberships

Law Society of England and Wales

American Bar Association