

Overview

Our real estate finance lawyers have the deep market knowledge and transactional experience to guide our clients through the most complex and challenging transactions in markets globally.

We represent both lenders and borrowers in a wide range of commercial real estate financings across Europe. Our lawyers also handle financings of portfolios of distressed debt, as well as fund formation for investment in real estate debt and equity vehicles and loan on loan financings.

Our lawyers are highly skilled at real property lending, whether first mortgage or mezzanine, secured by a wide variety of real estate, including apartments, office buildings, low-income housing, retail developments, single-family subdivisions, industrial properties and resorts and hotels.

Industry Recognition



THE LAWYER
Awards 2018

**Finance Team of
the Year**

The Lawyer Awards 2018



PROPERTY
INVESTOR GUIDE
European Property
Investor Awards 2018
Winner

**Law Firm
of the Year –
Transactions**

*European Property Investor
Awards 2018*



EUROPE
PROPERTY
INVESTOR
AWARDS

WINNER
2017

**Law Firm of the
Year – Overall**

*European Property Investor
Awards 2017*



THE
LEGAL
500
USA 2018

**Ranked as a First
Tier Firm for U.S.
Real Estate**

Legal 500 USA, 2011–2018


Representative Experience



Advised **AIG Asset Management (Europe) Limited** on a number of financings and re-financings in relation to European real estate, including multifamily assets.



Advised **Och-Ziff** in relation to a number of mezzanine, development and loan-on-loan financings in relation to European real estate.



Advised **Fairfield** as arranger and original lender in respect of multiple financings backed by commercial real estate in the UK and Ireland and as borrower in relation to a loan-on-loan facility to fund loans advanced by Fairfield.



Advised **M7 Real Estate Ltd** and **Starwood Capital** in a joint venture as borrower in the €104,000,000 re-financing of a portfolio of light industrial real estate in Germany and the Netherlands.



Advised **Aareal Bank** in relation to the a €380,000,000 refinancing of a portfolio of logistics properties owned by Arcapita.



Represented funds advised by **DRC Capital LLP** as arrangers and original lenders of £60 million to a bidco controlled by a fund managed by **Aermont Capital LLP** in order to assist with the public-to-private acquisition of Pinewood Group plc.



Advised **Jefferies LoanCore** on the origination of a £109 million facility secured over a large portfolio of 135 commercial and residential real estate assets in Northern Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales.



Advised **Oaktree** on the potential purchase of an €1.8 billion portfolio of non-performing loans from UniCredit. Oaktree participated as a member of a consortium of bidders with Bank of America and Värde. The deal aborted when UniCredit withdrew the portfolio from the market.

Our London Real Estate Finance Practice

Representative Clients



What Others are Saying

Conor Downey's work encompasses the securitisation, restructuring and financing of real estate debt, and real estate in general. Sources say: "His product knowledge on CMBS deals is outstanding."

– *Legal 500 UK 2018*

Miles Flynn – Recommended for *Securitisation and Real Estate Property Finance*

– *Legal 500 UK 2018*

Miles Flynn – Recommended for *Real Estate Finance*

Miles Flynn is gaining prominence for his handling of real estate finance, and his capabilities include both lender and borrower-side representation. Highlighted as "an excellent lawyer with a strong grasp of banking and corporate law mixed with commercial sense. He has a habit of finding solutions to complex legal problems which helps get deals across the line."

– *Chambers UK 2019*

Justin Jowitt – Recommended for *Real Estate Finance*

Justin Jowitt is an "extremely knowledgeable and very commercial" partner in the real estate finance team. He advises clients on a broad array of real estate finance matters, including senior and mezzanine investment and complex restructurings.

– *Chambers UK 2019*

Justin Jowitt – Leading Individual, *Property Finance*

– *Legal 500 UK 2016-2018*

Jennie Dorsaint – Recommended for *Securitisation and Real Estate Property Finance*

– *Legal 500 UK 2018*

Sophisticated finance group with deep-rooted expertise in CMBS and complex structured financings.

– *Chambers UK 2019*

Your Team



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