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Eliana advises on UK and cross-border financing transactions including leverage financing, ship financing, asset-backed lending and corporate finance transactions. She has acted for institutional lenders, non-bank lenders, equity sponsors, insurance companies, maritime companies and lessors on unsecured and secured financings involving a wide range of assets across multiple jurisdictions, including Latin America, Europe, China, Australia and the U.S.

Prior to joining the firm, Eliana was an associate at the aviation group of a leading Irish law firm in Dublin and previously spent four years working in the Bogota office of a U.S. law firm for the Latin American market.

Key Matters

Eliana's experience includes:

- Advising a US major bank in a trade working capital facility to a multilateral development bank available in local currency.
- Advising a private equity firm on the refinancing of a cross-border secured facilities agreement.
- Advising a stablecoin company on a secured loan to an asset management business backed by stock held in multiple jurisdictions.
- Advising Hiscox plc on an amendment to one of their existing securities lending facility.
- Advising a number of clients on taking or granting security located in the UK (England & Wales).
- Advising Bay-Houston Towing Co., as purchaser and borrower, on specialist maritime matters related to the vessel acquisition and financing of eight harbor towing vessels operating in Port Arthur (Texas, US) and Lake Charles (Louisiana, US) purchased from Seabulk Towing Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Seacor Holdings Inc.
- Advising Pareto Securities in a private placement of notes issued by a subsidiary of Edda Wind secured by a service operation vessel for an offshore wind farm located off the coast of Scotland on specialist maritime and UK law matters.
- Advising Citibank, N.A., as specialist maritime counsel, in relation to the restructuring of a vessel-secured facility provided to Transocean Inc.
- Advising Citibank, N.A., as specialist maritime counsel in relation to a secured revolving credit facility provided to Valaris Limited and two private placements of senior secured notes of Valaris Limited, involving a 41-vessel collateral.
- Advising aircraft lessors and lenders in the review and preparation of operating leases, aircraft sale and novation documentation and financing transactions.

Recent Experience

Drilling Tools International Corp. Closes on Acquisition of Deep Casing Tools

Motorola Solutions Acquires Silent Sentinel

Industrial Opportunity Partners Invests in Brewster and Fine Décor

Recognitions

- Legal 500 UK

Activities

Eliana is fluent in English and Spanish

Credentials

EDUCATION

Eliana received an LLM from Columbia University.

ADMISSIONS

- England & Wales
- New York

Related Insights & News

PUBLICATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- “La fusión abreviada y la compensación en dinero en el régimen de sociedades”, *Ámbito Jurídico*, Aug. 31 2016.
- “Freeze-out mergers’ y compensación en dinero en el Perú: Análisis a partir de lo establecido por las leyes de Delaware”, *Revista IUS ET VERITAS* no. 51, Dec. 2015.

RECOGNITIONS

Eliana Torrado Franco Recognized in Women in Secured Finance 2024

MARCH 15, 2024

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Winston Co-Hosts SOBAL Reception and Networking Event

FEBRUARY 15, 2024

CLIENT ALERT

Asymmetric jurisdiction clauses within the scope of the Hague 2019 Convention

JANUARY 31, 2024

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Winston Supports SOBAL Conference 2023

NOVEMBER 30, 2023

RECOGNITIONS

Winston & Strawn Recognized in *The Legal 500 UK* 2024

OCTOBER 4, 2023

CLIENT ALERT

Peregrine v. Laudamotion – Practical Lessons for Lessors

FEBRUARY 24, 2023

NEWS

Winston Advises on Sale of World’s Deepest Diving Operational Submersible

NOVEMBER 21, 2022

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Winston & Strawn Recognized in *The Legal 500 UK* 2023

SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

RECOGNITIONS

Winston & Strawn Recognized in *Airfinance Journal's* Guide to Lawyers 2021

JULY 14, 2021

RECOGNITIONS

Winston Recognized in *Airfinance Journal's* Guide To Lawyers 2020

AUGUST 3, 2020

Capabilities

Transactions

Debt Finance

Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

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