

# NEW YORK OFFICE

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&  
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12 PARTNERS AND  
24 LAWYERS

ESTABLISHED  
OVER 30 YEARS  
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Our New York office provides a top-quality legal services through a combination of technical excellence, industry knowledge and superior client service. We partner with our clients to understand their business and strategic goals to ensure that our advice is relevant, risk assessed and commercially balanced. As part of an international law firm with offices around the world, we are part of a global and integrated team and have a particular appreciation of the benefits of providing cohesive cross-border support.

New York law  
United States Federal law  
Marshall Islands &  
Liberia corporate and  
maritime law  
Vanuatu ship mortgage  
advice

CONSISTENTLY  
RECOGNIZED AS  
TOP TIER BY  
LEADING LEGAL  
DIRECTORIES

## SECTOR FOCUSED FIRM

### SECTORS

#### ENERGY

Infrastructure  
Mining and Commodities  
Oil and Gas  
Power

#### TRANSPORT

Aviation  
Infrastructure  
Maritime  
Rail

### SERVICES

Capital Markets

Corporate and M&A

Dispute Resolution

Finance

Private Equity

Sanctions

Tax

*"Hugely sophisticated practice focused on the representation of financial institutions and major owners and operators in all aspects of shipping finance, including capital markets, private equity and restructuring."*

Chambers USA, 2023

BAND 1 –  
SHIP FINANCE  
CHAMBERS USA, 2023

TIER 1 –  
SHIP FINANCE  
LEGAL 500 USA, 2023

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AVIATION AND AIR  
TRAVEL; FINANCE  
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### CAPITAL MARKETS & CORPORATE

- Initial public offerings, secondary and follow-on stock, debt and securities offerings
- Private placements of debt and equity in the U.S. or to U.S. persons
- Stock exchange rules advice and compliance
- Mergers & acquisitions, joint ventures, private equity investments and strategic alliances

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### FINANCING

- Loan transactions
- Finance leases and operating leases
- Mezzanine and alternative financing transactions
- Securitization and other structured finance transactions

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### MARSHALL ISLANDS, LIBERIAN AND VANUATU LAW

- Long-standing Marshall Islands and Liberian corporate and finance practice
- Advise and issue opinions relating to entities formed in the Marshall Islands and Liberia, and on Marshall Islands, Liberian and Vanuatu mortgages

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### SANCTIONS

- Sanctions advice, processes and policies, including addressing sanctions-related risks in documentation
- Advise on compliance with sanctions requirements including rules and regulation of the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control

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### JONES ACT

- Initial financing and refinancing of Jones Act qualified vessels
- Jones Act compliant ownership structures
- Strategies for subordinated debt financing of Jones Act entities
- Foreign sales
- Leasing structures and taxation

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### DISPUTES, LITIGATION AND ARBITRATION

- Full maritime litigation offering, including relating to shipbuilding contracts, sale and purchase, charterparties and other contracts of carriage, bill of lading and cargo claims, management and shipping pool arrangements, and shipping investments
- Aviation-related restructurings, aircraft repossessions and associated dispute resolution

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### REGULATION

- Maritime regulatory advice on environmental laws and regulations, sanctions and compliance issues

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### TAX

- U.S. tax aspects of cross-border transactions
- Structuring transactions to achieve optimum tax results
- Compliance and documentation with respect to U.S. Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA)
- Analysis of U.S. freight tax on shipping income and exemption from tax