

*We don't believe in law as usual
For us, law is inspiring...*

Our story

A number of years ago, we decided that we could change the way legal services are delivered. That we could do them better. At gunnercooke, we believe the potential of our clients and our people rests with our ability to free the law and make it work as it should. Today, we attract passionate lawyers and advise with authority: every gunnercooke lawyer has a minimum 10,000 hours practising experience.

Flexibility, transparency and freedom guide everything we do. Flexibility for our people to work how they want. Transparency of cost for our clients because we removed time recordings and billable hours. Freedom for our people and clients to achieve their personal and professional aspirations.

We work with clients that believe tradition is there to be tested, not obeyed. Working together, we help them seek opportunities and push the boundaries of what's possible.

Providing a suite of corporate and commercial legal services, gunnercooke is one of the UK's fastest-growing challenger brands. Proud of what we have achieved, committed to doing more.



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Overview

What he's best at:

Simon is a talented finance lawyer and has worked for the last 15 years in the banking practices of two leading international law firms. He has extensive experience in a wide range of banking and finance transactions worldwide, including Europe, the Middle East and Asia. He specialises in advising on financings across a number of asset classes including real estate, securities based lending and oil & gas.

Who he works for:

Simon enjoys working for a broad range of clients, including lenders (banks, funds and alternative credit providers) and borrowers, from global corporations and financial institutions to high net worth individuals.

Testimonials

"We have worked with Simon Baum on several large scale complex international finance transactions. He was very experienced and knowledgeable. He always provided responsive and exceptional legal service." - Leora Pratt Levin, General Counsel, Delek Group Limited

Experience Highlights:**Margin Lending**

- Delek Energy Systems Ltd. on their US\$100m margin financing provided by a leading global investment bank;
- a leading global investment bank on more than forty margin loans to ultra-high net worth individuals.

Project Finance and Oil & Gas Financings

- The sponsors on the US\$900m financing of the development of the Tamar gas field;
- the European Investment Bank and the commercial lenders on the Sorek desalination project financing.

Real Estate Financings

- An international bank on a hotel acquisition facility;
- a leading European real estate fund on the acquisition of a distressed residential portfolio.

Restructuring

- Merrill Lynch International Bank on €137m refinancing of existing facilities made available to Nova Ljubljanska Banka d.d., Ljubljana;
- Citibank N.A., in relation to the debt restructuring of Songbird Finance Limited.

General Lending

- The Borrower on a US\$150m Bridge Financing provided by UBS AG, London Branch; and
- Goldman Sachs International on a £460m Mezzanine Financing.