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Manuel Álvarez-Uría Tejero holds a degree in Law from the University of Oviedo, Spain, and a Master's degree in Corporate Legal Consultancy from the Instituto de Empresa, Spain's Business School.

Practising lawyer at the Madrid Bar Association since 2003, he has worked in various law firms in the insurance sector and, subsequently, in the Legal Department of the European University of Madrid.

Director of the Master's Degree in Access to the Legal Profession at the Universidad Europea de Madrid, university lecturer.

Since September 2021, he has been working in the Department of Legal Affairs and International Standards of UN Tourism, where he has promoted tourism law as a branch of law. He has also collaborated in the launch of the Tourism Law Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean, a digital tool created in collaboration with the Inter-American Development Bank, with the aim of contributing to the growth of sustainable and accessible tourism in the region.

On the other hand, he has collaborated in the organisation and development of the various editions of the UN Tourism International Seminars on Tourism Law.

TATIANA ARIMA

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Tatiana Arima is a Legal Director at SITA, the world's leading specialist in air transport communications and information technology. Tatiana has a degree in law from the University of São Paulo. She also holds a Specialization Degree in Intellectual Property from PUC Rio and a Master Degree in International Management from FGV. Tatiana is currently a doctorate student in Regulation Law at FGV. She has +25 years of professional experience and is responsible for leading the legal practice of SITA's business and operations in +32 countries and territories in the Latin America and Caribbean region. Tatiana is Brazilian and she is based in Rio de Janeiro.

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Amna Arshad is a partner in the Transportation group at Crowell & Moring and leads the firm's aviation team. A former senior trial attorney at the U.S. Department of Transportation, she has deep knowledge and experience in aviation issues, having drafted regulations, and led investigations, audits, and enforcement actions. Her government insights and relationships combined with her several years of experience at top US Am Law 100 firms advising global transportation clients across the aviation supply-chain—from major U.S. and non-U.S. passenger and cargo airlines, to transportation start-ups (UAS and eVTOLs), OEMs, suppliers and companies investing in the aviation sector—provide her a unique ability to counsel her clients through their most pressing challenges, including internal or government investigations, litigation/enforcement defense, regulatory diligence on aviation mergers & acquisitions and compliance counseling. Known as a trusted advisor and strategic thinker, Amna partners with clients to develop business-oriented legal strategies, manage risk, and deliver practical, forward-looking solutions. Amna has been recognized by Chambers (ranked since 2021), Women in Business Law ("Aviation Lawyer of the Year"), Washington Business Journal ("40 Under 40"), and Law360 ("Transportation Rising Star"). Amna also currently serves as the President of the International Aviation Club of Washington, DC and as the General Counsel & Secretary of the Flight Safety Foundation.

EDUARDO CARVALHAES

Lefosse Advogados
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Eduardo is the Lefosse Advogados' head of the public law and regulated markets practice.

Eduardo has solid experience in licensing, privatizations, public procurement, dispute resolution and

legal advice in regulated markets. He is a member of FGV-RJ University's Airport Concessions Committee, of the Brazilian Bar Association Infrastructure Commission and the Construction and Aviation Committees of the International Bar Association.

Eduardo graduated at São Paulo Catholic University and holds both a PhD and a Master's degree from the University of São Paulo.

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Grupo Punta Cana
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Licenciada en Derecho Cum Laude de la Universidad Nacional Pedro Henríquez Ureña. Ha realizado estudios de post grado en Derecho del Trabajo y Seguridad Social en la Universidad Autónoma de Santo Domingo y en Derecho del Consumidor en la Universidad de Valencia, España, así como un MBA en Administración del Negocio en la Universidad de Quebec, Montreal.

Asimismo, ha sido capacitada como Experta Latinoamericana de Derecho del Trabajo en el Centro de Formación de la Organización Internacional del Trabajo (OIT) y en las Universidades de Bologna y Castilla La Mancha. Realizó también estudios de Especialización en Derecho Aeroportuario en la Universidad de Yale. Realizó estudios especializados de Compliance Officer en la Universidad Politécnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, España.

Ha laborado como Abogado Ayudante del Consultor Jurídico del Poder Ejecutivo, como Directora en el área Legal y Regulatorio de Codetel y como Directora del departamento Legal de Opitel y de Verizon International Teleservices. Asimismo, ha laborado como Consultora Empresarial, Consultora Nacional para la Organización Internacional del Trabajo (OIT) e impartido docencia en universidades y entidades de formación locales.

Funge en la actualidad como Directora Legal y Regulatorio del Grupo PUNTACANA.

Ha sido miembro de las Comisiones Redactoras-Revisoras de varios proyectos de ley y reglamentaciones en República Dominicana, así como representante del sector empleador en varios Consejos Directivos de organismos nacionales.

GUSTAVO DI CIO

Abiaxair
MD



Gustavo is the Managing Director of Abiax Air Aviation, a consulting firm specialized in airline, airports, tourism and the overall production of aviation industry events. He has also been CEO of a low cost airline in south America, member of the Board of Aerolineas Argentinas, Latin American Commercial Director for Dubai Based Mercator, and Director of Strategy at the Latin American Airline Association (ALTA), amongst other positions.

Before joining the aviation industry he held senior and CEO positions in the financial and insurance sectors in companies within the Americas. Gustavo holds an MBA in Aviation Management from Concordia University, Montreal, a diploma in Sustainable Tourism from ESAEDE university, and a degree in Business Administration. He teaches "Evaluation of Investment Projects" at university level and "Aviation Economics" for several Latin American civil aviation authorities. Besides writing articles for aviation specialized publications, he has also participated several conferences as a speaker, moderator and chairman, and has attended more than 150 aviation and airport events. He is also member of the judging panel of the "Ground Handling annual Awards" and owner of a travel agency with focus in Argentina and the United States.

RAFAEL DICKSON MORALES

DMAC Despacho Jurídico



Doctor en Derecho Administrativo Iberoamericano. Profesor de la Facultad de Derecho de la Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra (PUCMM) de Contratación Pública y de la asignatura Derecho Administrativo I y II. Profesor de la Facultad de Derecho de la Universidad Iberoamericana (UNIBE) de la asignatura Derecho Administrativo I y II. Profesor de la Facultad de Derecho de la Universidad Autónoma de Santo Domingo (UASD) y Profesor de la Escuela Nacional de la Magistratura y de la Escuela Nacional del Ministerio Público en Derecho Administrado. Integrante del Foro Iberoamericano de Derecho Administrativo (FIDA) y de la Asociación Dominicana de Derecho Administrativo (ADDA). Abogado en ejercicio, socio de DMAC | Despacho Jurídico y presidente del Grupo de Investigación ESENTIA. Director del Observatorio de Contratación Pública de República Dominicana. Es Socio – Gerente y Fundador de DMAC Despacho Jurídico, con más de 20 años de experiencia en la asesoría y representación de entes y órganos de la Administración,

entidades de intermediación financiera, entidades del sector de aviación y del órgano rector, empresas de telecomunicaciones, y grupos familiares de empresas. Dickson Morales ha participado en la elaboración de anteproyectos legales y regulaciones administrativas. Ha sido consultor contratista del Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID) y del Banco Mundial (Worldbank Group) para temas relacionados a la contratación pública y Alianzas Público-Privada (APP). En materia de Alianza Público-Privada (APP) y proyectos de infraestructura ha brindado asesoría en la elaboración de proyectos de iniciativa privada y pública. En materia arbitral, ha representado a empresas nacionales e internacionales en arbitrajes institucionales por ante el Corte de Arbitraje y Resolución Alterativa de Conflictos de la Cámara de Comercio y Producción de Santo Domingo y ante la Corte Internacional de Arbitraje de la Cámara de Comercio Internacional (CCI). Es integrante del Bufete Directivo de la Corte de Arbitraje de Resolución de Conflictos de la Cámara de Comercio y Producción de Santo Domingo.

RAFAEL ECHEVARNE

ACI-LAC
Director General



Rafael Echevarne is the Director General of Airports Council International – Latin America and the Caribbean (ACI-LAC). Previously, Rafael was CEO of Montego Bay Airport, Jamaica, and held positions in international organizations and airport companies in Europe, Australasia and the Middle East, specialising in airport economic regulation, privatisation, and infrastructure and business development. A Spanish national, Rafael holds a PhD in Air Transport Economics from Cranfield University, UK.

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Attorney - Law School of Universidad Nacional de La Plata (UNLP) Graduated in April, 1992. Master In Administrative Law - Universidad Austral, 1995

Founder and president of Worldwide Airport Lawyer Association - WALA, since May, 2008.

Legal Affairs Manager | Aeropuertos Argentina 2000 (1999 – present)

Head of Legal Affairs CAAP vertiports team (present)

Vice Chair of the Institute of Transport Maritime, Air & Space Law – Buenos Aires Public Bar Association. Since March, 2015

Founder and President of ACI-LAC Political, Regulatory & Legal Committee (2003-2010)
Professor of Airport Law

·Visitor Universidad Nacional de la Plata,
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·Academic Director at Infinitum Academy (Uruguay)

Books

· Airport Law: Juridical Regimen of the Airport Service, Prometeo Publisher, Buenos Aires, 2013
·Airport Law in Iberoamerica, Tirant LoBlanch, Mexico, Co-Director, 2024

AEROPUERTOS ARGENTINA 2000 /
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As legal manager of AA2000, he was responsible for contracts, tariff and regulatory matters and litigation dealer for the operation of the 33 airports (Group A airports in the National Airport System).

He was responsible for the comprehensive legal management (strategy, drafting, negotiation and execution). Diego exercised these tasks advising the AA2000's Directorates of Infrastructure, Operations, Systems, Purchase and Commercial Affairs.

He advised on comprehensive legal management of contracts for airport charges, tariff and regulatory affairs, retail and non aeronautical activities contracts at the airport. In reference to litigation Diego led cases initiated by consumer associations and all airlines

As Corporacion America Airports advisor, Diego assist on Urban Air Mobility legal & regulatory matters.

Also he participated in various public and private procurement processes as well as expressions of interest. His professional experience was special focus on the legal and regulatory aspects of airport services, domestic and international aviation activity. In that sense Diego participated in the presentations of tenders, projects of concession contracts, take over and acquisition of airport companies, etc in many processes within Latin America Region (Colombia, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Uruguay, Ecuador, Peru, Brazil, Argentina, Chile) and other countries in the World (Portugal, Hungary, Bulgaria, Turkey, Greece, Italy).

SOPHIE HAYASHI

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Managing Director and Assistant General Counsel



Sophie Hayashi is Managing Director and Assistant General Counsel covering global regulatory matters for Airlines for America. Before rejoining A4A's Legal Department, she was General Manager of International Government Affairs covering the EMEA and APAC regions for Delta Air Lines.

Sophie has her Juris Doctor from the University of Florida Levin College of Law, Master of Science in Crisis and Security Management from Leiden University in the Netherlands, and a Bachelor's degree from Indiana University.

RICARDO HERNÁNDEZ

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CEO



Economist with extensive experience in multinational corporations, specializing in Infrastructure Projects and Public-Private Partnerships (PPP). A strategic leader with a strong track record in fostering high-performance, collaborative organizational cultures and driving sustainable development through infrastructure investment. Passionate about airports as economic and social engines that shape the future of the cities they serve. Since 2016, I have been a key contributor to the evolution of SJO Airport as part of the CCR Group, playing a pivotal role in enhancing operational efficiency, stakeholder engagement, and long-term infrastructure planning. Prior to this, I led the Infrastructure and Cities Division at Siemens, overseeing projects across Central America and the Caribbean, with a focus on smart cities, mobility, and large-scale infrastructure solutions.

I hold an MSc in Finance from Liverpool University and an MBA from Madrid Business School, complementing my technical expertise with strategic financial acumen. Recognized as an IAP Professional and an AELP Concordia Fellow, I am committed to advancing the intersection

EDUARDO JORDAO

Portugal Ribeiro & Jordao Advogados
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Eduardo Jordão has been a partner at Portugal Ribeiro e Jordão Advogados since 2019, having worked in all phases of municipal, state, and federal infrastructure projects across various sectors, such as highways, airports, railways, basic sanitation, solid waste management, urban mobility, and social infrastructure.

He has extensive experience in providing legal advice to clients on regulatory issues and on concession contracts and public-private partnerships (PPP), as well as in administrative litigation and arbitration procedures. He also works on drafting legal opinions, legal advice, and memoranda on various topics involving administrative and economic law. Before joining Portugal Ribeiro and Jordão, he worked at renowned law firms in São Paulo and London, and served as a Legal Assistant in Comparative Law at the French Council of State.

Since 2013, Eduardo Jordão has been a Professor at FGV Direito Rio in undergraduate, master's, and doctoral programs. He earned his Doctorate in Law summa cum laude from the Universities of Paris (Panthéon-Sorbonne) and Rome (Sapienza), having conducted postdoctoral research at Harvard Law School and MIT Economics.

He holds a Master of Laws (LL.M) from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) and a Master's in Economic Law from the University of São Paulo (USP). He graduated in Law from the Federal University of Bahia (UFBA). He was a visiting researcher at Yale Law School and a fellow researcher at the Max Planck Institutes in Heidelberg and Hamburg.

With a vast academic output in Brazil and abroad, Jordão is recognized as one of the leading experts in the country in administrative and economic law. He has published 11 books and over 100 articles in specialized journals and websites. His doctoral thesis (Judicial Control of a Complex Public Administration, Malheiros, 2016) received the Levy Ulmann Award in 2015 from the Chancellery of the Universities of Paris, awarded annually to a distinguished work in the field of comparative law. In Brazil, the work was a finalist for the Jabuti Award (2017). The collection "Anti-Romantic Studies on Public Administration Control" compiles all his writings on the subject and is now in its 3rd edition (Malheiros/JusPodivm, 2025).

He participates as a speaker in various conferences, seminars, and courses on public law, both in Brazil and abroad.

CARLOS KADUOKA

SITA Americas
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Dr Carlos Kaduoka brings over 25 years of global experience, specializing in driving digital transformation in airports. As Chief Operating Officer and VP of Strategy at SITA Americas, he has worked with airports worldwide, helping them leverage technology and innovation to address industry challenges like sustainability and operational efficiency. He has a doctorate in airport economics and technology, is proud to hold ACI's International Airport Professional (IAP) accreditation and is a fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society.

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LEILA LAHBABI

Airports Council International-North America (ACI-NA)
Deputy General Counsel



Leila Zahlan Lahbabi joined Airports Council International-North America (ACI-NA) in Washington, D.C. as Deputy General Counsel in January 2023. A seasoned airport attorney, she has years of experience working with airports and their partners. Prior to joining ACI-NA, Lahbabi served as lead counsel for Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT). CLT, located in the southeastern United States, ranks as the seventh busiest airport in the world for arrivals and departures, and 10 th in North America for passenger traffic. At CLT, she led the Legal and Regulatory team comprised of both attorneys and specialists in the airport's Office of Civil Rights. For 18 years, she provided advice and counsel on matters including airline affairs, concession agreements, business diversity programs, public art, ground transportation, leases, non- aeronautical land development, federal grant assurances, and federal regulations. She has lived and traveled in different countries but spent most of her life in the United States where she went to school. Lahbabi earned her Juris Doctorate and Bachelor of Arts with honors in History from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

ROANGELO LODEWIJKS

Curacao Airport Holding
Legal Counsel/Attorney



Roangelo is the head of legal of Curacao Airport Holding N.V., a public limited liability company, which is the owner of the Curacao International Airport and surrounding territories. In this position he is responsible for the legal supervision of the concession agreement of the airport and providing guidance and direction in a wide variety of legal matters.

SIMON DEAN MCCAROLL

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ANGELICA NOBOA PAGAN

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Socia de la firma de abogados Russin, Vecchi & Heredia Bonetti con práctica en las áreas de Comercio Exterior, Competencia, Telecomunicaciones y Privacidad de Datos. Doctor en Derecho de la Universidad Iberoamericana (1987), mención cum laude y maestra en Derecho Corporativo de la Universidad Anáhuac México Norte (2021).

Ha sido docente universitaria y autora de la obra “Libre y Leal Competencia en la República Dominicana (1994-2021)”, primera obra sistemática de derecho de la competencia en República Dominicana, así como de otros ensayos jurídicos en temas de derecho público, publicados en Gaceta Judicial, Acento, Thomson Reuters, Tirant Lo Blanche, Legis, Concurrences, la Universidad de Cantabria y la Escuela Judicial de la Judicatura.

Asesora del Estado Dominicano en varias ocasiones a través del BID, la USAID y mediante contratación directa, para procesos de formación de leyes y regulación económica, en materia de telecomunicaciones, derecho de la competencia y aduanas. En 2025, fue nominada por su ensayo “La regla de la razón y su interés casacional” a los Antitrust Awards de la Revista Concurrences y la Universidad George Washington, bajo la categoría de artículos sobre Procedimiento, convirtiéndose en la primera autora dominicana en participar en ese certamen.

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Laura Pierallini is the founder and name partner of the Italian aviation law firm Pierallini Studio Legale.

She is a professor of commercial law and air law at the LUISS University of Rome. Laura has practised aviation law since 1988, providing expert advice to clients across the whole of the international aviation sector, including aircraft finance and leasing; antitrust and regulatory; litigation and dispute resolution; employment; restructuring; M&A and corporate issues.

Her clientele includes Italian and foreign airlines, manufacturers, lessors, financiers, airports, handlers and travel agents. She has recently advised the most important M&A transactions in the aviation sector, including the sale to the newly established flag Italian carrier (Italia Trasporto Aereo S.p.A. – ITA Airways) of the Alitalia aviation business.

Ms Pierallini is recognised Thought Leader in the aviation section of Thought Leaders – Global Elite (2018-2025) and is recommended as a leading lawyer in the regulatory, contentious and finance sub-chapters of the aviation section of WWL: Transport.

She is named Best Aviation Lawyer at the Client Choice Awards 2024 and Lawyer of the Year – Aviation at the WWL Awards 2024. She has been consistently shortlisted for Best Aviation Lawyer at the Europe Women in Business Law Awards. She has been named Italian lawyer of the year in Transport Law at Top Legal Industry Awards 2021 and 2022 and Italian lawyer of the year in Aviation Finance at Legal Community Finance Awards 2024.

Laura regularly participates in conferences on aviation, delivering speeches and moderating panels at various Italian and international symposia, in particular those organised by IATA, IBA, EALA; WALA and EBAA.

She organises annual conferences on air law in Rome, attracting international experts, jurists and operators.

She is aviation committee member of the International Bar Association (IBA), committee member of the European Air Law Association (EALA) and a member of the International Aviation Women's Association (IAWA).

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DR BENJAMYN I. SCOTT

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Dr Benjamyn I. Scott is an Assistant Professor at the International Institute of Air and Space Law, and at eLaw – Center for Law and Digital Technologies at Leiden University.

In his role at Leiden University, his research focuses on developing and emerging technologies in aviation. He primarily investigates legal and policy issues involving unmanned aircraft systems (remotely piloted and autonomously flown), urban air mobility/innovative air mobility (eVTOL, societal acceptance and multimodality), cybersecurity, artificial intelligence and unmanned traffic management.

Dr Scott's major outputs include his PhD thesis, which explored the regulatory approach taken at a European and international level to aviation cybersecurity. The thesis was later published under the title *Aviation Cybersecurity: Regulatory Approach in the European Union* (Eleven, 2019). Second, he recently published the second edition of his book titled *The Law of Unmanned Aircraft Systems* (Wolters Kluwer, 2022). This book expands on the first edition by covering a broad range of legal and policy issues relevant to unmanned aircraft. Finally, he has a textbook aimed at bachelor law students and non-law students. This book is titled *Fundamentals of International Aviation Law and Policy* (Routledge, 2019).

Dr Scott also supports different stakeholder groups, presents at conferences, publishes articles in journals, and lectures at different universities around the world. Finally, he is on the Board of Editors for the following Journals: *Air & Space Law*, *The Aviation & Space Journal*, and *ICUAS eMagazine*.

ALICE SERPA BRAGA

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Attorney General



Alice Serpa Braga Della Nina is an attorney with extensive experience in federal agencies, serving in various prominent roles since 2007. As an Attorney for the Federal Agencies, Alice Della Nina has dedicated a significant part of her career to the Brazilian Civil Aviation Authority (ANAC), where she has been serving since 2013 and was appointed Attorney General in 2024. Prior to this, she held positions at the Brazilian Forest Service (2012-2013) and the Brazilian Federal Environmental Agency (2008- 2012).

In addition to her domestic roles, Alice has actively participated in international legal discussions, currently serving as the Chair of ICAO's Legal Committee, elected in 2024. She also represented Brazil in ICAO's Study Groups and Task Forces in the legal field.

Alice holds a PhD in Law from Universidade de Lisboa (2021) and has undertaken an academic internship at Humboldt Universität zu Berlin (2015-2016). She also possess a Master in Law and Public Policies, a Master in Business Administration and a Bachelor Degree in Law.

MARCOS SERRANO

Universidad Austral
Director de Posgrado



Abogado, egresado de la Universidad Nacional de Buenos Aires. Magister en Derecho Administrativo y Post Magister en Derecho Administrativo Profundizado por la Universidad Austral. Doctorando en el programa oficial de Doctorado en Derecho Administrativo Iberoamericano en la Universidad de la Coruña. Diplomado en Contrataciones Públicas Sostenibles por la Organización de los Estados Americanos (OEA) y Diplomado en Contratos del Estado e Infraestructura Pública en la Universidad Austral. Director de la Especialización en Contrataciones Públicas de la Universidad Austral. Vicepresidente del Centro de Investigación para la Contratación Administrativa y la Regulación Económica (CICARE). Miembro de la Red Iberoamericana de Contratación Pública (REDICOP), Miembro de Honor de la Asociación de Buenas Prácticas en Contrataciones del Estado (ABPCE), Miembro del Centro Iberoamericano de Estudios de Derecho Público y Tecnología, Miembro del Consejo Académico del Observatorio de la Contratación Pública de la Universidad Austral y Miembro del Consejo Consultivo Académico Internacional de la Sociedad Peruana de Contratación Pública. Profesor Asociado de Derecho Administrativo de la Universidad Nacional de la Matanza, Profesor en la Universidad Austral, Universidad Nacional de Tres de Febrero y Universidad Católica de la Plata.

Durante 10 años se desempeñó como Subdirector de la Diplomatura en Contratos del Estado e Infraestructura Pública de la Universidad Austral. Ejerció la profesión de manera liberal en el Estudio Jurídico Demaría, Fernández Cronenbold & Barra. En el Sector Público, ejerció el cargo de Subprocurador del Tesoro de la Nación. Fue Supervisor Legal en la Gerencia de Contrataciones Públicas de la ANSES. Estuvo a cargo de la jefatura de Contrataciones y Patrimonio de la Secretaría Legal y Técnica de la Presidencia de la Nación. Se desempeñó como director de Asuntos Legales y Judiciales del Ministerio de Transporte de la Nación. Fue Gerente de Asuntos Jurídicos del Organismo Regulador del Sistema Nacional de Aeropuertos y Gerente de Administración y Presupuesto del mismo Organismo. Autor de numerosos artículos de su especialidad y expositor en diversos congresos nacionales e internacionales. Autor del libro "Contratación Pública en emergencia", entre otros.

MICHAEL SIEBOLD

WALA
Board Member



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Central to Michael's distinguished legal journey are international mergers and acquisitions, corporate transactions, and reorganisations as well as large infrastructure projects. His legal acumen also encompasses sports and entertainment law, sponsoring, real property law, international project management, and financing—primarily within the dynamic logistics and stadia and arena sectors.

A founding partner of ARNECKE SIEBOLD, Michael has steadfastly evolved through three decades, transitioning from a managing partner to the esteemed role of Senior Partner at ARNECKE SIBETH DABELSTEIN, today emeritus. This premier German law firm comprised approximately 150 fee earners across 6 offices in Germany.

Michael's academic journey traversed Munich, London (UK), and Toronto (Canada), culminating in the attainment of a Master's degree from the University of Toronto. Michael was admitted to the German Bar

EXPERIENCE

ARNECKE SIBETH DABELSTEIN | Senior Partner

2019 – 2023 (now emeritus)

ARNECKE SIBETH DABELSTEIN | Managing Partner

1989 - 2018

After his career as described above, Michael now operates his own consultancy firm mh management und unternehmensberatungs gmbh, Munich, where he is engaged in primarily law firm management consulting and coaching of young professionals; he is also a sought-after board member.

Michael's diverse expertise encompasses a broad spectrum of practice areas, including Mergers and Acquisitions, Company Law, Engineering, Industrial Projects, International Delivery of Goods, Real Estate Finance, Commercial Property, Legal Project Management, Property Development, Planning, and Sports and Entertainment Law, as well as Media, Press, and Publishing Law. His proficiency extends across sectors such as Automotive, Energy/Renewables, Hospitality, Real Estate, Sports, Media and Entertainment, Transportation, Aviation, and Logistics. With a seasoned understanding of these domains, Michael has honed his skills to address complex challenges within a range of industries.

Michael, in addition to his profound mastery of various practice areas, brings his insights to bear on a multitude of sectors. From Automotive to Energy/Renewables, Hospitality to Real Estate, and Sports to Media and Entertainment, his well-rounded experience spans across Transportation, Aviation, and Logistics. This comprehensive expertise empowers him to provide strategic counsel that resonates effectively within a diverse array of industries.

World Airport Lawyers Association (WALA) | Vice President

2014 - Present

As Vice President of the World Airport Lawyers Association (WALA) since 2014, Michael has played a pivotal role in shaping the organization's strategic direction. His steadfast commitment and expertise have contributed to its ongoing success and influence within the aviation and legal sectors.

Interlaw | Chairman

2012 - 2018

Michael, as the Chair of Interlaw, has spearheaded global legal collaboration, facilitating cross-border insights and expertise for diverse legal matters. His leadership has nurtured a robust network of legal professionals, fostering a dynamic platform for international legal cooperation and knowledge exchange.

DKG German Canadian Association | Chairman Emeritus/ President

2003 - Present

As the Chairman Emeritus and present President of the DKG - German Canadian Association, Michael has played a pivotal role in fostering cultural exchange and collaboration between Germany and Canada. His leadership has significantly contributed to strengthening the bond between the two nations and promoting mutual understanding.

Education

LLM (Master of Laws) |
1986

University of Toronto,
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Legal Clerkship | 1983-
86

District Court, Munich,
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Law | 1983
LMU, Munich, Germany

Honours & Memberships

 **INTERLAW.**

Board member for 13 Years
& Chairman for 6 Years

 **WORLDWIDE AIRPORT
LAWYERS ASSOCIATION**

Vice President for 8+ Years



Chairman of the Permanent
Court of Arbitration at LSB
Hessen



President of the DKG –
German Canadian Association

 **BWD** Bundesverband der
Wirtschaftskanäle
in Deutschland

Non-executive Board Member

Publications



Global Legal Services in a
Disruptive World | 2018



Anwaltskanzleien in Zeiten
von Groß-Fusionen – Does
Size Matter | 2016



Profitability, M & A and
Corporate Restructuring |
2016

DAN SLOAT

Advanced Air Mobility Institute
Founder & President



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- Founder & President
- Advanced Air Mobility Institute
- USA

Bio: Dan Sloat is Founder of the Advanced Air Mobility Institute, a 501c3 nonprofit research center dedicated to educating and advocating for the broadest public benefit through the aviation ecosystem. Dan is a global top 20 AAM industry leader according to eVTOL Insights Powerbook and earned Community Engagement Team of the Year 2024. As President of Electro.Aero, he is a champion of international development for reliable electric aviation charging networks.

At the inaugural AAM Symposium hosted by ICAO, the United Nations' aviation agency, Dan was a featured Keynote Speaker. Previously, he led an American vertiport company as CEO and the aviation division of an energy company as CAO. As a United States Air Force Captain, he earned a Humanitarian Service Medal for his efforts to aid refugees in Syria. After his military commitment, Dan earned a Masters in Economics, a Masters in Business Administration, and a Juris Doctor. Dan is an adjunct professor of Advanced Air Mobility at the University of Arkansas, a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society and sits on the World Economic Forum AVIATE committee to advise on the future of autonomous flight.

JAN WILLEM STORM VAN'S GRAVENSADÉ

Aviation Independent Consulting
Founder & President



Jan Willem Storm van 's Gravesandé has more than 48 years' experience in the airline industry. He studied Economics as well as Law at Groningen University and specialized in Air- and Space Law at Utrecht University in The Netherlands.

After graduations he served as General Secretary to the Board and Supervisory Board of an international Helicopter and Fixed Wing Operator and acted as Legal Counsel of that company.

He joined KLM in January 1981 and retired in December 2012. Since 2012 he is Managing Partner of Aviation Independent Consulting. Jan Willem occupied a variety of functions in different KLM departments.

He lectured Air Law at Nationale Luchtvaart School (NLS) at Maastricht Airport – ab initio training of commercial airline pilots. He was a member of the exam committee Air Law in the Netherlands.

Jan Willem (guest) lectured at numerous universities all over the world and still lectures on different air law- and aviation related subjects at Conferences. He has been teaching Air Law in Amman, Jordan and Strategic Management Business Policy in Maastricht.

He acted and acts as a judge in air law cases in Moot Courts in Abu Dhabi (2013), Bucharest (2014), Beijing (2015), Jakarta (2016), Malta (2017), Seoul (2018), New Delhi/Chandigarh (2019), Leiden (2023) and Athens (2025). The Court session foreseen in 2020 Shanghai / St Petersburg was cancelled (Covid). Court sessions in 2021 and 2022 were online / via video (Covid).

He was between 2014-2018 Vice Chairman of the Sup. Board of Directors of Bonaire International Airport.

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PHILIP R. WEISSMAN

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Philip Weissman is a partner in the New York office of KMA Zuckert LLP, bringing over a decade of experience in representing air carriers and others within the aviation industry in both federal and state court litigation, as well as advising on regulations that affect the aviation sector.

As a litigator, Philip has represented several of the world's largest air carriers at trial and appellate levels. He has handled numerous high-profile cases, including those involving significant aviation accidents and aircraft damage.

Philip also provides guidance on DOT, FAA, and TSA regulations. He has assisted carriers in adhering to DOT economic regulations, including consumer protection and foreign ownership rules, as well as FAA certification requirements.

Philip serves as the Chair of the New York City Bar Air & Space Law Committee and the Treasurer of the International Bar Association's Aviation Law Committee. He has authored and presented on a range of aviation law topics, such as jurisdiction, Montreal/Warsaw Convention liability, sustainability, advanced air mobility, drones, and consumer protection law.

He has been recognized as a "Rising Star" by Super Lawyers from 2020 to 2023. In December 2024, he was recognized by eVTOL Insights' in its Ones to Watch Special Report for his work in the area of advanced air mobility.

He graduated from Duke University School of Law in 2012 and is admitted to the Bar in New York.

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