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Oliver advises lenders and sponsors on the development and financing of cross-border energy and infrastructure projects across a broad range of industries, many of which are the first of its kind in their sector. He has significant experience advising on multi-sourced project financings involving export credit agencies, multilaterals and development finance institutions, as well as commercial banks and traders. Oliver is frequently involved in the negotiation and structuring of complex intercreditor matters.

IFLR1000 has identified Oliver as a “Rising Star” or “Highly Regarded” every year since 2013, and he has been ranked by *Chambers UK* each year since 2012, where clients report that Oliver is considered “truly outstanding” and highlight his “knowledge of debt financing” and “drive to get the deal done.” In the 2022 edition of *Chambers UK* clients comment, “Oliver is calm, cool, collected □ he knows his stuff, which shows through in tough moments of negotiations.” They also note in *Chambers UK* 2024 that “he’s extremely knowledgeable and responsive” and in *Chambers UK* 2021 that the “technical ability, precision and accuracy of his work combined with his responsiveness makes him a very good lawyer” and he “is very pragmatic, very thorough and commercial.” Oliver is also ranked as a “Next Generation Partner” for Projects, Energy & Natural Resources □ Infrastructure in *The Legal 500 United Kingdom* (2018-2024), and was nominated by in-house counsel and peers to appear in *Euromoney*’s 2015, 2016 and 2017 “Rising Stars” Expert Guides. *Legal 500 UK* 2023 noted that Oliver “has provided a decisive contribution in very complex groundbreaking transactions” and that he “has an unparalleled ability to understand the client’s needs and to provide very sound and reliable advice to fulfill them.” Oliver was also recognized by *Law360* as a 2019 MVP for Project Finance and serves on *Law360*’s Project Finance Editorial Advisory Board (2020-2022).

Industries

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Practices

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Credentials

Education

- Oberlin College, L.P.C., G.D.L., 2004
- University of Oklahoma College of Law, B.A., 2001, *hons*

Bar Admissions

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Chambers Global

- UK – Projects, 2022 – 2024

Chambers UK

- Projects, 2012 – 2025 (Up and Coming, 2019 – 2020; Associate to Watch, 2012 – 2018)

The Legal 500 United Kingdom

- Projects, Energy & Natural Resources – Infrastructure, 2018 – 2025 (Next Generation Partner, 2018 – 2025)
- Projects, Energy and Natural Resources – Power (including Electricity, Nuclear and Renewables), 2020 – 2024
- Projects, Energy and Natural Resources – Oil & Gas, 2020 – 2021
- Projects, Energy and Natural Resources – Renewables, 2025
- Finance – Emerging Markets, 2020 – 2021, 2023 – 2025
- Finance – Bank Lending: Investment Grade Debt and Syndicated Loans, 2020, 2023 – 2025

Delinian Limited

- *IFLR1000 Financial & Corporate and M&A Guide*, Highly Regarded: Banking, 2019 – 2024
- *IFLR1000 Financial & Corporate and M&A Guide*, Highly Regarded: Project Finance, 2019 – 2024
- *IFLR1000 Financial & Corporate and M&A Guide*, Highly Regarded: Rising Star: 2013 – 2018

Portfolio Media, Inc.

- *Law360*, MVP of the Year: Project Finance, 2019

Euromoney Institutional Investor PLC

- *Rising Stars Expert Guide*, Rising Star, 2015 – 2017

Euromoney Institutional Investor PLC

- IFLR European Awards, Rising Star, Project Finance, 2014

Finance Monthly

- Deal Maker of the Year, 2016; Game Changers Awards, 2018

Resources

ICLG: UK Renewable Energy Law and Regulations 2022

Article

Managing the LIBOR Transition in GCC Islamic Financings

Video

Square Pegs and Round Holes

Article

LIBOR LATEST – A Temporary Reprieve for USD LIBOR?

Blog Post

PF in the Early Stages of Hydrogen

Article

Battery Storage Vision in the UK

Article

OECD Announces Amendment to Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits

Update

Competing Considerations in Intercreditor Agreements for Project Finance, Mining Streams and Royalties

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ICLG: UK Renewable Energy 2023

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ICLG: The Rise of Co-Located Renewable Projects 2024

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ICLG: England & Wales Renewable Energy 2024

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Getting Your Carbon Credits Voluntarily

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Hidden Gems: The Role of Critical Minerals in the Energy Transition

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Split Decision: A Look Into How Developers Can Seek to Optimise Their Battery Storage Procurement Strategy and Capitalise on the Current Wave of Development of Utility-Scale Battery Storage Facilities

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Renewable Energy Laws and Regulations 2025: United Kingdom

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Publications & Speeches

- "Renewable Energy Laws and Regulations 2025: United Kingdom," *ICLG: Renewable Energy 2025*, September 2024.
- "Split Decision: A Look Into How Developers Can Seek to Optimise Their Battery Storage Procurement Strategy and Capitalise on the Current Wave of Development of Utility-Scale Battery Storage Facilities," *ICLG: Renewable Energy 2025*, September 2024.
- "Hidden Gems: The Role of Critical Minerals in the Energy Transition," *ICLG: Mining Law 2025*, September 2024.
- "Getting Your Carbon Credits Voluntarily," *Project Finance International*, May 9, 2024.
- "England and Wales: Renewable Energy 2024," *International Comparative Legal Guide*, September 2023.
- "United Kingdom: Renewable Energy 2023," *International Comparative Legal Guide*, September 2022.
- "Competing Considerations in Intercreditor Agreements for Project Finance, Mining Streams and Royalties," *ICLG: Mining Law*, 2023.
- "United Kingdom: Renewable Energy 2022," *International Comparative Legal Guide*, September 2021.
- "Square Pegs and Round Holes," *Project Finance International*, October 2020.

- “United Kingdom: Renewable Energy Laws and Regulations 2021,”
International Comparative Legal Guide, September 2020.