Laura McCaskill - Senior Associate

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Bio

Laura McCaskill is a member of DarrowEverett's Corporate and Business Transactions Group. Her practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, private equity, securities law, and general corporate matters. She regularly counsels clients on commercial agreements, corporate governance, and risk allocation, and assists with due diligence, transaction structuring, and the negotiation of equity and asset purchase agreements to ensure efficient closings.

Laura brings nearly a decade of international corporate and finance experience, having advised private equity and asset management clients on cross-border transactions spanning capital markets, structured finance, and large-scale portfolio acquisitions. She has served as counsel in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg on over 20 aviation asset-backed securitizations and warehouse financings with aggregate values exceeding $6 billion. Her experience navigating the intersection of transactional, regulatory, and tax considerations gives her clients practical, business-oriented guidance across a wide range of corporate and finance matters.

Practice Areas

- Corporate & Business Transactions
- Banking & Finance
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity, Capital Markets & Securities
- International Business
- Data Privacy & Cybersecurity

Prior Experience

Prior to joining DarrowEverett, Laura worked at a boutique corporate law firm in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, where she represented U.S. and international private equity and asset management clients on complex corporate and finance transactions. Having lived and worked in Europe and Asia, and with proficiency in Dutch, she offers a broad international perspective and cultural fluency that strengthen her ability to guide clients through cross-border matters with precision and practical insight.

Representative Matters

- Represented a New York?based private investment firm in its senior preferred equity investment in a diversified conglomerate focused on arena infrastructure, scoring systems, and electronic components manufacturing. The investment was structured alongside the refinancing of a senior secured credit facility to provide acquisition financing for a strategic add?on transaction. We advised throughout the M&A lifecycle, including transaction structuring, legal due diligence, negotiation, documentation, and closing. The team worked closely with issuer and lender counsel on a pre?closing corporate restructuring, addressed related tax considerations and cross?border aspects of the issuer's operations, and negotiated amendments to formation and governance documents, investor rights and voting agreements, and related financing and acquisition documentation.
- Represented a Luxembourg holdco in connection with the $2.36 billion acquisition of Fly Leasing Limited (NYSE: FLY), including a portfolio of 84 aircraft and seven engines on lease to 37 airlines across 22 countries, and continued post-closing legal advisory and domiciliation services.
- Represented a Luxembourg holdco in the $230 million acquisition of AIG Castle Holding Limited, comprising a portfolio of 23 mid- to late-life commercial aircraft. My representation included advice on intragroup financing arrangements and post-acquisition portfolio restructuring.

- Advised a Luxembourg holdco on a $975 million Rule 144A/Reg S warehouse financing and related senior secured credit facility to fund the acquisition of a fleet of early-life commercial aircraft.
- Represented Luxembourg holdcos in multiple aviation ABS transactions, including a $619.66 million securitization secured by a pool of 15 early-life commercial aircraft.
- Advised four Luxembourg securitization vehicles in connection with the acquisition of $120 million face value of distressed secured aviation loans, as part of a broader strategy to acquire discounted debt instruments.
- Represented a highly regarded New York–based private investment firm in its investment in a strategically located sawmill, providing end-to-end transactional support from term sheet negotiations through closing. The engagement included legal and operational diligence, investment and tax structuring, and the negotiation of limited partner side letter protections, definitive investment documents, and ancillary closing agreements.

Insights

- Rewiring Rule 5.4: Private Capital's Opening in U.S. Legal Services
- Security That Travels: Cross Border Perfection in Aviation Finance - via JD Supra, December, 2025
- Grounded by Complexity: The Challenges of Cross-Border Aviation Collateral - via JD Supra, November, 2025

Bar Admissions

- Florida
- New York

Education

- VU University Amsterdam, LL.M. in International Business Law, *cum laude*
- Stetson University College of Law, J.D. (Concentration in International Law)
- University of Central Florida, B.S., Criminal Justice, *President's List and Dean's List*