



## Mats G. Carlston

Partner  
Co-Chair, Finance

New York  
+1 212-294-6696

**Co-Chair of Winston & Strawn's Finance Practice, Mats has more than 25 years of experience representing leading banks, finance companies, and direct lenders in syndicated financings and restructurings, with an emphasis on leveraged buyouts and recapitalizations of private equity sponsored enterprises.**

Mats represents lead arrangers, agents, lenders, investors, sponsors, and borrowers in domestic and cross-border senior and junior financings, with an emphasis on leveraged buyouts and recapitalizations of private equity sponsored enterprises.

He has represented domestic and international commercial and investment banks, finance companies, private equity funds, hedge funds, publicly and privately held corporations. Mats has represented portfolio companies in leveraged, high grade, and mezzanine financings, including acquisitions, working capital facilities, restructurings and workouts covering many industries, including hospitality, media and telecommunications, healthcare, retail, and energy.

# Recognitions

Mats was named to the 2023 *Lawdragon* Legends list. From 2020–2024, he was named to *Lawdragon*'s 500 Leading Lawyers in America guide to the nation's top lawyers. He was named to the 2015–2024 *Lawdragon* The Influencers and to the 2021–2025 *Lawdragon* 500 Leading Dealmakers in America. Mats was also recognized in the 2016–2024 editions of *The Legal 500 U.S.* for his finance work within the commercial lending industry. Additionally, *IFLR1000* recognized Mats as "Highly Regarded" in the state of New York for Banking and Finance from 2020–2024.

---

# Activities

Mats serves as Co-Chair of the firm's Finance Practice. He is the former Managing Partner of the New York office and a former member of the Executive Committee.

---

# Credentials

## EDUCATION

Mats received a LL.B. from Stockholm University in 1984, and a LL.M. from the University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law in 1985. In 1984-85, Mats was a Fulbright Scholar.

## ADMISSIONS

- New York

# Related Insights & News

---

## PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Expands Leveraged Finance Group with Addition of Andrew Jacobs in New York  
MARCH 24, 2025

---

## PRO BONO IN ACTION

Winston and Optimum Team Up to Give Fellow New Yorkers a Financial Fresh Start in 2025  
JANUARY 7, 2025

---

## RECOGNITIONS

Winston Partners Recognized on the 2025 *Lawdragon* 500 Leading Dealmakers in America List  
OCTOBER 22, 2024

---

## PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Adds New York Tax Partner James Saeli

OCTOBER 21, 2024

---

#### **SEMINAR/CLE**

Winston & Strawn Hosts Leadership and Communication Workshop with Internationally Acclaimed Author and Neuroscientist

OCTOBER 1, 2024

---

#### **RECOGNITIONS**

Winston & Strawn Recognized in *IFLR1000* 2024

AUGUST 6, 2024

---

#### **PRESS RELEASE**

Winston & Strawn Adds Tax Attorney Katherine Erbeznik in New York

JULY 22, 2024

---

#### **RECOGNITIONS**

Winston & Strawn Recognized in *IFLR1000* 2023

JUNE 6, 2024

---

#### **RECOGNITIONS**

Winston, Mats Carlston Receive The Fresh Air Fund's 2024 Corporate Honoree Award

MAY 16, 2024

---

#### **NEWS**

2023 Pro Bono Impact Report

MAY 1, 2024

---

#### **SPONSORSHIP**

Winston & Strawn Sponsors the 2024 ACG DealMAX Conference

APRIL 29, 2024

---

#### **WEBINAR**

Winston Hosts Presentation on Leveraged Finance Fundamentals

APRIL 23, 2024

# Capabilities

---

Transactions	Finance	Debt Finance	Private Equity	Private Investment Funds
Public Companies	Financial Services			