

A&D Investment Banking & Restructuring Professionals

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PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Chris Cantwell, a career aviation finance professional, is currently a Managing Director at Seabury Capital providing advisory services to the aviation and aerospace industries specializing in asset-backed financings and leasing transactions and with a focus on parts, engines and the global supply chain. Prior to Seabury Chris was Managing Director and Group Head for CIT Corporate Finance, Aerospace & Defense. The Aerospace & Defense group provided corporate finance services focusing on the aerospace, defense, homeland security and government services markets. These services included senior and mezzanine loans, equipment loans and leases and advisory assignments to companies in the covered industries as well as to financial sponsors investing in these industries.

Prior to joining CIT, Chris worked at GE Capital Aviation Services (GECAS) where he was Senior Vice President, Structured Finance for GECAS Asset Management Services: the company's spare engine and spare parts leasing and financing business. At GECAS, Chris was responsible for providing leadership for the marketing, structuring and execution of complex transactions for engines and parts leasing and financing as well as strategic marketing and business development for the group. Prior to that, Chris was head of sales and a senior manager for GE Engine Leasing where he started and built GECAS' engine leasing and parts financing businesses and worked in the Structured Finance and Restructuring groups. Chris started his career in the Airline and Aerospace group at Bankers Trust/BT Securities supporting M&A and capital raising projects in the industry.

Chris received his M.B.A. in Finance from the Stern School of Business at New York University and his B.A. in History from Hamilton College in Clinton, NY.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- \$325 million warehouse facility for helicopter acquisitions by LCI Helicopters
- Warehouse facility for aircraft acquisitions by Infinity Aviation
- Parts-backed debt facility for AJ Walter
- \$100+ million sale/leaseback of GE90 engines with British Airways
- 20+ engine sale/leaseback with China Eastern Airlines
- Industry's largest MRO parts-backed debt facility for SR Technics
- Lead GECAS's joint venture with Curtis Power Co. which went on to become GE Engine Leasing
- \$2+ billion of parts and engine backed credit facilities with various major US Airlines
- \$3+ billion of engine sale/leaseback transactions with airlines worldwide
- Lease and debt restructuring projects with VARIG, Mexicana, Polar Air Cargo, Viscount Air and other airlines

INDUSTRY EXPERTISE

- Airlines
- Aerospace
- Leasing
- MROs
- Commercial and Investment Banking

FUNCTIONAL EXPERTISE

- Aircraft Leasing
- Engine Leasing
- Parts Financing & Management
- Asset-Backed Finance
- Asset-Based Lending
- Leveraged Lending
- M&A Advisory