

# Henrik Kleis

## Partner



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Henrik Kleis specialises in the areas relating to shipping, aviation, transport, ports, energy, logistics and infrastructure.

Henrik has a right of audience before the Danish Supreme Court and has conducted a vast number of legal proceedings before arbitration tribunals, the Danish High Courts and the Danish Supreme Court. He is recognised by Chambers and The Legal 500 within shipping and transport'.

Henrik provides trusted advice to major enterprises and public authorities, and he acts as a regular legal advisor to a number of Danish ports. Henrik provides regular assistance to the British Embassy as well as British enterprises and business professionals in Denmark.

Henrik is a professional board member and sits on several boards of directors.

He is also the British Consul in Aarhus.

# Qualifications

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Education	Admitted to the Danish Bar	1982
	Master of Law, Aarhus University	1979

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Memberships	The European Air Law Association (EALA)	
	Comité Maritime International (CMI)	
	IBA (International Bar Association)	
	International Law Association (ILA)	
	Aarhus Transport Group (ATG)	
	Aarhus City Association	
	BusinessAarhus	
	Højesteretskranken (a Danish association of experienced supreme court litigators)	
	British Chamber of Commerce in Denmark	
	The Danish-UK Chamber of Commerce	
	The Danish Arbitration Association	
	TØF - Transportøkonomisk Forening (a Danish transport economic association)	
	ESPO (European Sea Ports Organisation), Legal Committee	
	Green Power Denmark	
IRU (International Road Transport Union)		
Danish Management Society, VL-gruppe 69 (a management forum under the Danish Management Society)		

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Admissions	Right of audience before the Danish Supreme Court	1988
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# Experience

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## Recent highlights

- Henrik has, for several decades, provided trusted advice to the Port of Aarhus and a great deal of other Danish ports concerning issues within construction law, competition law and procurement law, etc.
  - Henrik represents Danish Ports on the legal committee of ESPO (European Sea Ports Organisation). His work on the committee involves cooperating with lawyers from other European ports on how to adapt the legal basis for the respective ports in relation to EU legislation.
  - Henrik assisted Martin Bencher A/S in its sale of the Group to Maersk. It was a cross-border sales process involving legal staff at several DLA Piper offices throughout the world.
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## Career highlights

Partner, DLA Piper Denmark, since 2018

Partner, Delacour (DLA Piper Denmark), 2002-2018

Partner, Olesen & Lyager, 1985-2002

Attorney, Olesen & Lyager, 1984-1985

Attorney, Jørgen Willumsen, 1982-1984

Assistant Attorney, Jørgen Willumsen, 1980-1982

Assistant Attorney, Kaalund & Partnere, 1979-1980

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## Positions of trust

Chairman of the governing body, Aarhus City Association

Chairman of the governing body, Aarhus Transport Group

Vice-Chairman of the governing body, Corps Consulaire – Aarhus

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## Other positions

British consul in Aarhus

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# Rankings

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Legal 500

Henrik is recognized by The Legal 500 as 'Leading partner' within 'Shipping & Transport'.



*"Henrik Kleis and Martin Juste have long term relations and deep knowledge in important areas, in addition to a wide network."*

*"The team is very committed and able to see the bigger picture. Excellent on strategy and able to express complicated issues in concise and simple terms."*

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Chambers

Recommended in *Chambers Europe* in the area of 'Shipping and transport'.



# Insights

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**'Maritime law and its players - in practice'** (published in Danish only), Nyt Juridisk Forlag, **1999**

**'Transport law'** (published in Danish only), Børsens Forlag, **1994**

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# Services

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Corporate law and Corporate Governance



Energy and Infrastructure



Infrastructure



Shipping and Transport



Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations



Litigation and regulatory



Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A)



Global Governance and Compliance

# Sectors

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Financial Services



Infrastructure, Construction and Transport



Shipping, transport and logistic