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### **Raymond L. Thomas named to *Super Lawyers* four consecutive years**

MINNEAPOLIS: Minneapolis-based Law & Politics, publishers of [Super Lawyers](#) magazines, announced that South Texas Civil Trial Lawyer [Ray Thomas](#) has been named to 2009 *Texas Super Lawyers*. Each year, only five percent of the lawyers in the state receive this honor.

*Super Lawyers* recognizes outstanding attorneys in more than 70 areas of practice using a rigorous, [multiphase selection process](#) that includes peer nominations, evaluation of attorneys based on 12 separate indicators of professional achievement and peer recognition, peer evaluation by other lawyers within one's practice area and a final discipline check to verify that the attorney meets the highest ethical standards.

"In every phase of our selection process, Raymond Thomas stands out with consistent and high marks," says Bill White, publisher of *Super Lawyers* and *Law & Politics* magazines. "While his resume is exceptional, what impressed us even more is how highly regarded he is by his fellow lawyers."

Thomas, who speaks both English and Spanish, specializes in general and business litigation. Currently, he is representing singer Gloria Trevi, "the Madonna of Latin America," in her defamation suit against Spanish-Language network TV Azteca and Azteca America. The [story](#) is being followed by international media.

Thomas is a member of the media on his own accord, having made appearances on ABC Nightly News, U.S. News & World Report, as well as in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, the Dallas Morning News, and La Reforma.

Well on his way to becoming an ordained permanent deacon in the Roman Catholic Church, Thomas is also involved with [GospaTV](#) as well as [Gospa Records](#), a Catholic recording studio and record label dedicated to helping young artists spread the Gospel through inspiring music, video and television programming. The current issue of *Texas Super Lawyers* magazine [details](#) Thomas' spiritual journey as a lawyer, deacon and family man.

Thomas is a graduate of the University of Texas School of Law where he earned his J.D. in 1988. Thomas has served as a Director of the State Bar of Texas, President of the Texas Young Lawyers Association, Commissioner of the Texas Access to Justice Commission, as well as numerous other bar related positions. Thomas also served several years on the Grievance Oversight Committee. In addition to his high-profile cases, he has also helped migrant workers in cross-border litigation. He is currently honorary counsel to the Mexican Consulate.

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