COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL SELECTION APPLICATION

EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT XXVII

By <u>Timothy P. Thomas, Esq.</u>



Personal Information

1.	Full Name	Timothy Paul Thomas
2.	Have you ever used or been known by any other	No
	legal name (including a maiden name)? If so,	
	state name and reason for the name change and	
	years used.	
3.	How long have you been a continuous resident	30 years (1993-2023)
	of Nevada?	
4.	City and county of residence	Las Vegas, Nevada
5.	Age	56

Employment History

6. Please start with your current employment or most recent employment, self-employment, and periods of unemployment for the last 20 years preceding the filing of this Application.

Current or Last Employer	Law Office of Timothy P. Thomas, LLC
Phone	(702)227-0011
Physical Address &	1771 E. Flamingo Rd., Suite 212-B
Website	Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 www.tthomaslasvegaslawyer.com
Date(s) of Employment	4/1/2010 to present
Supervisor's Name and	Self
Title	
Your Title	Managing Member
Describe Your Key Duties	Client consultation and advisement; document preparation, litigation preparation and court appearances, pleading preparation and court appearances, communication with courts and administrative offices. Management of the law firm business, human resources, supervision, administrative duties.
Reason for Leaving	Current employment

Previous Employer	Law Office of Brian Shapiro
Phone	(702)386-8600
Address & Website	510 S. 8 th Street, Las Vegas NV 89101
	www.brianshapirolaw.com
Date(s) of Employment	November 2009-March 2010
Supervisor's Name and	Brian Shapiro, Esq. Partner
Title	
Your Title	Of Counsel

Describe Your Key Duties	Client consultation and advisement; document preparation, litigation preparation and court appearances, pleading preparation and court appearances, communication with courts and administrative offices.
Reason for Leaving	Opened independent law office

Previous Employer	Kolesar & Leatham, Chtd.
Phone	No longer in business
Address & Website	400 S. Rampart Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89145
Date(s) of Employment	March 2007-October 2009
Supervisor's Name and	Nile Leatham, Esq. Partner
Title	
Your Title	Associate Attorney
Describe Your Key Duties	
	Client consultation and advisement; document preparation,
	litigation preparation and court appearances, pleading preparation and court appearances, communication with courts and administrative offices.
Reason for Leaving	Layoff due to lack of work and economic factors

Previous Employer	Parsons Behle & Latimer
Phone	(702)384-3877
Address & Website	3753 Howard Hughes Pkwy, Las Vegas NV 89169
Date(s) of Employment	March 2005-2007
Supervisor's Name and	Nancy Allf, Esq. Partner
Title	
Your Title	Associate Attorney
Describe Your Key Duties	Client consultation and advisement; document preparation,
	litigation preparation and court appearances, pleading
	preparation and court appearances, communication with courts
	and administrative offices.
Reason for Leaving	New employment

Previous Employer	Allf Paustian & Szostek
Phone	No longer doing business
Address & Website	No longer doing business, Las Vegas NV 89101
Date(s) of Employment	April 2003-March 2005
Supervisor's Name and	Nancy Allf, Esq. Partner
Title	
Your Title	Associate Attorney

Describe Your Key Duties	Client consultation and advisement; document preparation, litigation preparation and court appearances, pleading preparation and court appearances, communication with courts and administrative offices.
	and administrative offices.
Reason for Leaving	Merger with Parsons Behle & Latimer

Educational Background

7. List names and addresses of high schools, colleges and graduate schools (other than law school) attended; dates of attendance; certificates or degrees awarded; reason for leaving.

Washburn High School, Washburn, North Dakota1981-1985DiplomaSalutatorianUniversity of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, Nevada 1985-1990B.S. in Business Mgt.Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, MO1990-1993J.D.

8. Describe significant high school and college activities including extracurricular activities, positions of leadership, special projects that contributed to the learning experience.

Washburn High School – senior class v. president 1985, Speech – extemporaneous speech awards Sports – Football, track University of Nevada, Las Vegas – 1985 initial Honor Society class

9. List names and addresses of law schools attended; degree and date awarded; your rank in your graduating class; if more than one law school attended, explain reason for change.

Washington University, School of Law – 1990-1993 Moot court and negotiation competitions Class Rank unknown

 10. Indicate whether you were employed during law school, whether the employment was fulltime or part-time, the nature of your employment, the name(s) of your employer(s), and dates of employment.
 Part-time Legal Services – domestic law Summer 1992

Part-time Janitorial Services – Manager August - December 1992 Part-time audio visual assistant for Washington Univ. 1992-1993

11. Describe significant law school activities including offices held, other leadership positions, clinics participated in, and extracurricular activities.
 Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity

Law Practice

12. State the year you were admitted to the Nevada Bar. 1993

13. Name states (other than Nevada) where you are or were admitted to practice law and your year of admission.

14. Have you ever been suspended, disbarred, or voluntarily resigned from the practice of law in Nevada or any other state? If so, describe the circumstance, dates, and locations.

No

15. Estimate what percentage of your work over the last five years has involved litigation matters, distinguishing between trial and appellate courts. For judges, answer questions 16-20 for the five years directly preceding your appointment or election to the bench.

Bankruptcy litigation matters	40%
State Court litigation matters	35%
Landlord/Tenant matters	15%
Domestic matters	10%

16. Estimate percentage of time spent on:

Legal Discipline	Percentage of Practice
Domestic/family	10%
Juvenile matters	
Trial court civil	50%
Appellate civil	
Trial court criminal	
Appellate criminal	
Administrative litigation	
Other: Bankruptcy	40%

17. In the past five years, what percentage of your litigation matters involved cases set for jury trials vs. non-jury trials?

2 jury trials	20%
8 bench trial	40%
Bankruptcy litig. Non-jury	40%

18. Give the approximate number of jury cases tried to a conclusion during the past five years with you as lead counsel. Give the approximate number of non-jury cases tried to a decision in the same period. **2 jury trials to completion, 11 non-jury cases**

- 19. List courts and counties in any state where you have practiced in the past five years.
 Clark County, Nevada
 Maricopa County (inactive 2012-2022, no cases to date)
- 20. List by case name and date the five cases of most significance to you (not including cases pending in which you have been involved), complete the following tables:

Case 1

Case name and date: Gabriel Daley 2021

Court and presiding judge and all counsel: Eighth Judicial District Court Judge: Veronica Barisich Opposing counsel; Kent P. Woods, Esq. Philip Emerson, Esq.

Importance of the case to you and the case's impact on you: Jury trial during COVID procedures; business ownership right issues, settlement enforceability issues

Your role in the case: Defense and counterclaim counsel.

Case 2

Case name and date: Stewart Supermarket LLC

Court and presiding judge and all counsel: US Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada Judge: August Landis Opposing counsel: Ogonna Brown, Esq., Brian Shapiro Subch. V Trustee

Importance of the case to you and the case's impact on you: Confirmation of a new Subchapter V small business case; confirmed without approving vote (1st impression) Complex business issues with factoring loans

Your role in the case: Debtor's counsel

Case 3

Case name and date: In re Darrel Smith 1993-1999

Court and presiding judge and all counsel: US Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada Judge Robert Clive Jones

9th Circuit Court of Appeals; U.S. Supreme Court

Opposing Counsel: Richard McKnight; David Mincin

Importance of the case to you and the case's impact on you: Significant legal issues, numerous appellate arguments to support legal counsel's rights. Admission to higher courts

Your role in the case: part of defense counsel and appellate argument

Case 4

Case name and date: Datamatic v. Las Vegas Water District 20 January 2020

Court and presiding judge and all counsel: Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County Judge: Ken Cory Opposing counsel: Oliver Pancheri, Esq. ; Nicolas Santoro, Esq.

Importance of the case to you and the case's impact on you: Issues of contractual interpretation in a bench trial,

Your role in the case: Plaintiff's trial counsel

Case 5

Case name and date: Patricia Aiken v. Thomas Snee; Hanh Ngyen, Thomas Snee II, Angioprim, Inc. Cardioprim, Inc.

Court and presiding judge and all counsel: Eight Judicial District Court Clark County Judge Jerry Weise II Opposing party : proper person

Importance of the case to you and the case's impact on you: Jury trial v. Party in proper person; Presentation of evidence with uneducated opposing party, witness testimony control, jury impact, jury feedback on legal vs. nonlegal parties

Your role in the case: Defense counsel

21. Do you now serve, or have you previously served as a mediator, an arbitrator, a part-time or full-time judicial officer, or a quasi-judicial officer? To the extent possible, explain each experience.

Yes

Service currently on fee dispute committee for Nevada State Bar

22. Describe any pro bono or public interest work as an attorney.

Commercial claim – vehicle purchase and repair disputes Uncontested divorces

23. List all bar associations and professional societies of which you are or have been a member. Give titles and dates of offices held. List chairs or committees in such groups you believe to be of significance. Exclude information regarding your political affiliation.

Clark County Bar Association American Bar Association Nevada State Bar publication committee; solo practitioners young lawyers division fee dispute committee

- 24. List all courses, seminars, or institutes you have attended relating to continuing legal education during the past five years. Are you in compliance with the continuing legal education requirements applicable to you as a lawyer or judge? See attached transcript
- 25. Do you have Professional Liability Insurance or do you work for a governmental agency?

Yes, I have professional liability insurance.

Business & Occupational Experience

- 26. Have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than a judicial officer or the practice of law? If yes, please list, including the dates of your involvement with the occupation, business, or profession. Farming 1980-1985 Airline customer service agent 1985-1990, 1993-1994
- 27. Do you currently serve or have you in the past served as a manager, officer, or director of any business enterprise, including a law practice? If so, please provide details as to:
 - a. the nature of the business
 - b. the nature of your duties
 - c. the extent of your involvement in the administration or management of the business
 - d. the terms of your service
 - e. the percentage of your ownership

Law practice – Law Office of Timothy P. Thomas, LLC Manager, sole practitioner, human resources, 100% management Total managerial authority 100% owner

28. List experience as an executor, trustee, or in any other fiduciary capacity. Give name, address, position title, nature of your duties, terms of service and, if any, the percentage of your ownership.

Trustee for Raymond Hutton Trust, 2019 liquidation of house and property Executor for Estate of Robert W. Landgren (stepfather) – October 2023 – present

Civic Professional & Community Involvement

29. Have you ever held an elective or appointive public office in this or any other state? No

Have you been a candidate for such an office?

No

If so, give details, including the offices involved, whether initially appointed or elected, and the length of service. Exclude political affiliation.

30. State significant activities in which you have taken part, giving dates and offices or leadership positions.

UNLV School of Law Moot Court judge

- 31. Describe any courses taught at law schools or continuing education programs. Describe any lectures delivered at bar association conferences.
 - CLE Fair Debt Collection Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act
 - **CLE Taking Effective Depositions**
 - CLE Foreclosures and Repossessions (October 2003)

Mentoring TIPS program – 2020-2023

- 32. List educational, military service, service to your country, charitable, fraternal and church activities you deem significant. Indicate leadership positions.
 Board of Trustees for Desert Spring United Methodist Church 1994-1996
 Board of Trustees for Journey United Methodist Church 2013-2015
 Praise Band Journey United Methodist 2011-2015, First Good Shepard Lutheran 2018-2019; Desert Springs United Methodist 2019-2023.
- 33. List honors, prizes, awards, or other forms of recognition.
- 34. Have you at any time in the last 12 months belonged to, or do you currently belong to, any club or organization that in practice or policy restricts (or restricted during the time of your membership) its membership on the basis of race, religion, creed, national origin or sex? If so, detail the name and nature of the club(s) or organization(s), relevant policies and practices, and whether you intend to continue as a member if you are selected for this vacancy.

No

35. List books, articles, speeches and public statements published, or examples of opinions rendered, with citations and dates.

1994 Amendments to Adequate Protection

Clark County Communiqué (November 1995) Elmo Easy as A-B-C Clark County Communiqué (October 2000) Mechanic's Lien Law Process and Procedure Clark County Communiqué (June 2003) Fair Credit Reporting Act Clark County Communiqué (July 2003)

36. During the past ten years, have you been registered to vote? Yes

Have you voted in the general elections held in those years? Yes

37. List avocational interests and hobbies.

Playing Bass Guitar – local band Throwing Pottery Dogs, hiking, camping

Conduct

38. Have you read the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct and are you able to comply if appointed? Yes

39. Have you ever been convicted of or formally found to be in violation of federal, state or local law, ordinance or regulation? Provide details of circumstances, charges, and dispositions. Yes

Speeding tickets resolved with fines

40. Have you ever been sanctioned, disciplined, reprimanded, found to have breached an ethics rule or to have acted unprofessionally by any judicial or bar association discipline commission, other professional organization or administrative body or military tribunal? If yes, explain. If the disciplinary action is confidential, please respond to the corresponding question in the confidential section.

No

41. Have you ever been dropped, suspended, disqualified, expelled, dismissed from, or placed on probation at any college, university, professional school or law school for any reason including scholastic, criminal, or moral? If yes, explain.

No

42. Have you ever been refused admission to or been released from any of the armed services for reasons other than honorable discharge? If yes, explain.

No

43. Has a lien ever been asserted against you or any property of yours that was not discharged within 30 days? If yes, explain.

No

44. Has any Bankruptcy Court in a case where you are or were the debtor, entered an order providing a creditor automatic relief from the bankruptcy stay (providing in rem relief) in any present or future bankruptcy case, related to property in which you have an interest?

No

45. Are you aware of anything that may require you to recuse or disqualify yourself from hearing a case if you are appointed to serve as a member of the judiciary? If so, please describe the circumstances where you may be required to recuse or disqualify yourself. **None**

Other

- 46. If you have previously submitted a questionnaire or Application to this or any other judicial nominating commission, please provide the name of the commission, the approximate date(s) of submission, and the result. N/A
- 47. In no more than three pages (double spaced) attached to this Application, provide a statement describing what you believe sets you apart from your peers, and explains what education, experience, personality or character traits you possess, or have acquired, that you feel qualify you as a supreme court justice. In so doing, address appellate, civil (including family law matters), and criminal processes (including criminal sentencing). **See attached Statement**
- 48. Detail any further information relative to your judicial candidacy that you desire to call to the attention of the members of the Commission on Judicial Selection.

In 2015, I started a law firm under the name of Thomas, Rahm & Zobrist Ltd. for the purpose of completing several chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization cases. The firm filed the cases but due to administrative issues with the US Bankruptcy Court, the firm was not approved to represent the clients to proceed with the cases. The partners disbanded the firm within 1 year and refunded all funds to the clients and moved their cases to other law firms. I was a partner but no payroll or funds were retained by the firm.

49. Attach a sample of no more than ten pages of your original writing in the form of a decision, "points and authorities," or appellate brief generated within the past five years, which demonstrates your ability to write in a logical, cohesive, concise, organized, and persuasive fashion.

TIMOTHY P. THOMAS

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Goals: I practice advanced level bankruptcy cases in consumer and business reorganization cases and commercial litigation cases from arbitration to jury trial through appeal. I would like to mentor and teach younger associates, work for a firm or in-house for a business to assess risk management and litigation issues.

Employment

April 2010 - Present	 Law Office of Timothy P. Thomas, LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada Partner in Solo Practice, 3 employees 4 state court bench trials, 2 state court jury trials, 3 appeals, federal practice, bankruptcy, arbitrations, evidentiary hearings, motions
	<u>Bankruptcy</u> : Debtor and creditor representation in Ch. 7, 11, and 13 cases for individuals and small businesses from filing of petition through reorganization confirmation and claims litigation. Representation of companies defending preference actions and discovery. <u>Commercial Litigation</u> : Representation of parties in litigation over contractual disputes and collection actions. Trial and appeal practice.
	Job Duties: Primary responsibility for a case load of 50-100 cases. Independent case management over the cases with primary client contact. Responsible for all court appearances on the cases. Office administration and management of two employees and financial management and analysis.
November 2009- March 2010	Law Office of Brian A. Shapiro , Las Vegas, Nevada Of Counsel, independent bankruptcy practice, 3 attorneys
	Of Counsel, independent bankruptcy practice, 3 attorneys <u>Bankruptcy</u> : Debtor, creditor and trustee representation in Ch. 7 and 11 reorganization cases for individuals and small businesses from filing of petition through confirmation and claims litigation. <u>Commercial Litigation</u> : Representation of parties in litigation and collection actions. Representation of trustees in pursuing preference

October 2009	Senior Litigation Associate in 25+ law firm 1 state jury trial, bench trials, arbitrations, evidentiary hearings, motion practice and discovery			
	<u>Bankruptcy</u> : Creditor representation and Chapters 11 reorganization cases from filing of petition through confirmation and claims litigation. Representation of companies on creditor claims, defending preference actions and discovery. <u>Commercial Litigation</u> : Representation of parties in litigation over contractual disputes and collection actions. Trial practice.			
	Job Duties: Primary responsibility for a case load of 30-40 cases. Independent case management over the cases with primary client contact. Primary and secondary responsibility on numerous trials. Associate training in litigation, trial and case management.			
March 2005- March 2007	Parsons Behle & Latimer , Las Vegas, NV (Salt Lake City, UT) Litigation Associate in 100+ law firm (7 attorneys in Las Vegas) - Purchased Allf Paustian & Szostek in March 2005			
	Bankruptcy: Representation of debtors in Chapter 7 and Chapters 11 and 13 reorganization plans from filing of petition through confirmation and claims litigation. Representation of creditors and committees in dischargeability and collection actions. Commercial Litigation: Representation of corporate parties in litigation over contractual disputes and collection actions.			
	Job Duties: Primary responsibility for a case load of 30-40 cases. Independent case management over the cases with primary client contact. Responsible for making court appearances and arbitrations, as well as expert and witness preparation. Primary responsibility on numerous court bench trials.			
April 2003 -March 2005	Allf Paustian & Szostek, Las Vegas, Nevada Associate Attorney in 4 attorney office			
	<u>Bankruptcy</u> : Representation of debtors in Chapter 7, 11 and 13. Reorganization plans from filing of petition through confirmation and claims litigation. Representation of creditors and committees in dischargeability and collection actions. Adversary actions.			
	<u>Commercial Litigation</u> : Representation of parties in litigation over contractual disputes and collection actions. Trial practice.			
	Job Duties: Primary responsibility for a case load of 30-40 cases. Independent case management over the cases with primary client contact. Primary responsibility on numerous court bench trials.			
Aug. 2002	Tharpe & Howell, Las Vegas, Nevada (Santa Barbara, CA)			

– Mar. 2003	Senior Associate Attorney in regional office of 9 attorneys Construction Defect firm, discovery intensive
	<u>Insurance:</u> Representation of general liability insurance carriers in tort litigation defense, construction defense, and commercial liability defense. Mediation and arbitration practice. <u>Bankruptcy</u> : Representation of creditor clients in defense of preference claims and debtors in continuing bankruptcy disclosure requirements.
	Job Duties: Litigation team supervisor over two associates on case load of 40-60 insurance general liability cases. Primary control over case management for the team. Responsible for making court appearances and attending arbitrations, as well as expert and witness preparation. Primary responsibility on numerous court bench trials.
March 2000 – Aug 2002	O'Reilly & Ferrario , Las Vegas, Nevada Associate Attorney in firm of 15+ attorneys (Transitioned to Mangles, Butler, Marmaro & OReilly in 2001 in association with Jeffer, Mangles, Butler & Maramaro) 1 federal jury trial 2 nd chair, bench trials, evidentiary hearings
	 <u>Commercial litigation:</u> Represented plaintiff and defendants in contractual and administrative business matters including litigation, zoning and gaming issues. <u>Tort litigation:</u> Representation of several clients in personal injury and security defense actions. Represented plaintiffs in personal injury cases. <u>Insurance</u>: Representation of coverage and construction related cases. <u>Bankruptcy</u>: Representation of corporate chapter 11 reorganization debtors, creditors involved in dischargeability issues and trustees in preference actions. <u>Domestic</u>: Representation of parties in divorce trials.
	Job Duties: Member of the litigation department and head of the bankruptcy department with a case load of 40-60 cases. Responsible for making court appearances in state and federal court. Numerous state and federal jury trials. Represented clients in multiple arbitrations and administrative hearings.
March 1994 – March 2000	John Peter Lee, Ltd., Las Vegas, Nevada Associate Attorney in firm of 8 attorneys 20 Bench trials, federal and state appeals, evidentiary hearings, motion practice, arbitrations, mediations
	<u>Commercial Litigation</u> : Representation of parties in contractual negotiations, discovery and litigation. <u>Bankruptcy</u> : Representation of debtors in liquidation and reorganization, negotiation of claims and related litigation. <u>Domestic</u> : Representation of parties involved in large asset divorce litigation and custody disputes.

	Elder Law: Representation of parties in guardianship and related litigation and accounting.
	Job Duties: Head of the Bankruptcy department head and member of the litigation department. Independent case management and client contact on a case load of over 50 cases. Primary responsibility on numerous bench trials in state and federal court. Primary responsibility on federal appeals to the U.S. District Court, U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and U. S. Supreme Court. Representation of clients in arbitrations and administrative hearings.
<u>Trial Experience</u>	 U.S. Supreme Court (1 case certiorari brief) U.S. Bankruptcy (20 adversary, 18 ch. 11 confirmations, 10 evidentiary) Ninth Circuit U.S. Appellate Court, (7 cases) U.S. District Court (1 bench trial, 1 jury, 8 appeals) Nevada Supreme Court appeals (12 appeals) State jury trials (2), bench trials (18+), domestic trials(5+), evidentiary hearings (20+), arbitrations(20+), mediations (20+) administrative hearings, unemployment, workers comp. (15+).
Education	
1993	Juris Doctorate - Law Washington University, School of Law St. Louis, Missouri
1990	Dechalor of Science Duciness Management
1990	Bachelor of Science – Business Management
	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
	Las Vegas, Nevada
<u>Court Admissions</u>	
2012	Arizona Supreme Court
1997	U. S. Supreme Court
1993	Nevada Supreme Court
	U.S. District Court – District of Nevada
	U.S. Bankruptcy Court
	U. S. Tax court
Publications	U. S. Court of Appeals for Ninth Circuit
Publications	U. S. Court of Appeals for Ninth Circuit 1994 Amendments to Adequate Protection
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Instruction

Fair Credit Reporting Act National Business Institute (May 2003)

Foreclosures and Repossessions National Business Institute (October 2003) Organizations American Bar Association Business law Section Tort Trial Insurance Practice Section Nevada Bar Association Clark County Bar Association Publications Committee (1998-present) Southern Nevada Association of Bankruptcy Attorneys Board of Directors, Local Rules Committee American Bankruptcy Institute

Reported Cases

In re Stratosphere 1998 LEXIS 1935 (Bankr.Nev.1998) Smith v. Lee, 1998 LEXIS 14590 (US Distr. Nev. 1998) Smith v. Lee, 1999 LEXIS 27566 (9th Cir. 1999) Clark County School District v. Rolling Plains Constr., 16 P.3d 1079 (Nev. 2001) Towbin Dodge v. Overland Financial, 121 Nev. 251, 112 P.3d 1063 (2005) Mutual of Omaha v. Estate of Arachi Kavitz, 2007 US Distr. LEXIS 71172 Watson v. Eaton Electric, 2008 LEXIS 75391 Watson v. Eaton Electric, 2010 LEXIS 108303 Operating Engineers Pension Tr. v. Thornton, 806 F. Supp.2d 1135, (D. Nev.2011) Mt. Paradise v. Fannie Mae, 2013 US Distr. LEXIS 148837 Frey v. Tennvada, 2014 LEXIS 17724 Ford v. Branch Banking & Trust Co., 353 P.3d 1200 (Nev. 2015)

STATE BAR OF NEVADA

Courses Taken

Date	Course Name	Provider	General	Ethics	ААМН
09/22/2023	2023 Spring TIP Mentor Program	State Bar of Nevada	4.00	1.00	1.00
08/01/2023	"Confidential Information and Attorney Ethical Obligations to Clients"	TRTCLE	0.00	2.00	0.00
07/20/2023	Lifecycle of Intellectual Property Creation and Protection	TRTCLE	2.00	0.00	0.00
05/18/2023	SNABA Luncheon with the Bankruptcy Judges	So. NV Assoc. of Bankruptcy Attorneys	1.50	0.00	0.00
04/20/2023	IRS Presentation by Anthony Liburd	So. NV Assoc. of Bankruptcy Attorneys	1.00	0.00	0.00
03/31/2023	2022 Fall TIP Mentor Program	State Bar of Nevada	4.00	1.00	1.00
02/23/2023	Bankruptcy Case Law Update by Candace Carlyon	So. NV Assoc. of Bankruptcy Attorneys	1.00	0.00	0.00
09/29/2022	2022 TIP Mentor Program Spring	State Bar of Nevada	4.00	1.00	1.00

Date	Course Name	Provider	General	Ethics	ААМН
05/17/2022	2022 District Conference - The Business of Law	United States District Court District of Nevada	6.50	1.00	0.00
04/28/2022	Ethical Traps in Bankruptcy Law	State Bar of Nevada	0.00	1.00	0.00
01/01/2022	2021 TIP Mentor Program, Part 2	State Bar of Nevada	2.00	0.00	1.00
12/27/2021	Lawful Establishment & Operations of Clients Trust Account	State Bar of Nevada	0.00	1.00	0.00
12/27/2021	Commercial Bankruptcy 101	State Bar of Nevada	1.00	0.00	0.00
12/17/2021	2021 Pro Bono Credits	Nevada Legal Services-Reno	0.50	0.00	0.00
09/03/2021	2021 TIP Mentor Program, Part 1	State Bar of Nevada	2.00	1.00	0.00
05/20/2021	Primer on Sub Chapter 5 Bankruptcies	Southern Nevada Association of Bankruptcy Attorneys	1.00	0.00	0.00
03/04/2021	Consumer Issues Related to Bankruptcy	Southern Nevada Association of Bankruptcy Attorneys	1.00	0.00	0.00
03/03/2021	Spring 2021 TIP Mentor	State Bar of Nevada	4.00	1.00	1.00
01/01/2021	Fall 2020 TIP Mentor, Part 2	State Bar of Nevada	2.00	0.00	1.00
12/30/2020	#654 - Part 1: First Time Home Buyers: 'Keep it Simple	ACCESS MCLE, LLC	1.00	0.00	0.00
12/30/2020	#667 - Tips for Choosing the Right Business Entity	ACCESS MCLE, LLC	1.00	0.00	0.00
09/03/2020	Fall 2020 TIP Mentor, Part 1	State Bar of Nevada	2.00	1.00	0.00

Date	Course Name	Provider	General	Ethics	ААМН
07/17/2020	How Busy Appellate Courts Ensure Your Case Gets Due Attention	State Bar of Nevada	1.00	0.00	0.00
03/03/2020	Spring 2020 TIP Mentor	State Bar of Nevada	4.00	1.00	1.00
02/24/2020	Voir Dire: Choosing the Right Jury	TRTCLE	1.50	0.00	0.00
12/30/2019	Understanding Discovery in the Social Media Age	TRTCLE	1.00	0.00	0.00
12/30/2019	Think Like a Lawyer: Communicate Like a Broadcast Journalist	TRTCLE	1.50	0.00	0.00
12/30/2019	What Do I Say? Effective Deposition Preparation	TRTCLE	1.00	0.00	0.00
12/18/2019	Breaking Down a Trial	TRTCLE	1.50	0.00	0.00
12/17/2019	Covenants Not to Compete	TRTCLE	1.50	0.00	0.00
12/17/2019	Cause & Effect: Substance Abuse & Attorneys	TRTCLE	0.00	0.00	1.00
12/17/2019	How to Solve Legal Ethics Problems	TRTCLE	0.00	2.00	0.00
12/17/2019	Bias in the Legal Profession: How to Identify, Avoid & Eliminate It	TRTCLE	0.00	1.00	0.00
12/17/2019	Practical Tips for Drafting Contracts	TRTCLE	1.00	0.00	0.00
12/27/2018	Practical Tax Part Two: How to Handle Payroll Tax Audits	Attorney Credits Online Education	1.50	0.00	0.00
12/27/2018	Practical Tax Part Four: How to Handle Sales Tax Audits	Attorney Credits Online Education	1.50	0.00	0.00

Date	Course Name	Provider	General	Ethics	ААМН
12/19/2018	Using Energy Tax Credits to Benefit Your Clients	Attorney Credits Online Education	1.00	0.00	0.00
12/18/2018	Hot Topics & Emerging Trends in Cannabis Litigation	Attorney Credits Online Education	1.00	0.00	0.00
12/18/2018	The Attorney-Client Privilege, Work Product Doctrine & Confidence	Attorney Credits Online Education	0.00	1.00	0.00
11/06/2018	DUI & Marijuana Law in Nevada	State Bar of Nevada	2.00	0.00	0.00
10/25/2018	Name Changes & Representing Transgender & Minor Clients	Nevada Legal Services-Reno	1.00	1.00	0.00
09/20/2018	Three Prong Approach to Combating Substance Abuse in the Legal Prof	Avanti Wellness LLC	0.00	0.00	1.00
12/13/2017	Collections Law	Attorney Credits Online Education	1.00	0.00	0.00
05/11/2017	2017 District Court Conference	United States District Court District of Nevada	2.00	0.00	0.00

APPLICATION STATEMENT OF TIMOTHY P. THOMAS

I feel that based upon my educational background and my experience; I would make a good candidate to succeed at filling the judicial vacancy of Department 27 of the Eighth Judicial District Court.

I have a long history of supporting the Las Vegas community. I attended the UNLV and was part of the original honor society class from 1985-88. While attending UNLV, I also worked full time for five years. This experience of studying while working and graduating with a BS in Business Administration in 1990, shows work ethic from being raised in a small rural community in North Dakota. I maintain close contact with my classmates to this day.

My legal aspirations began at the age of 12 and I graduated from high school as the Salutatorian and vice president of my class. I believe in setting long term goals and working hard to accomplish them. Business administration provided a broad applicability in the areas of law for which I had an interest. I obtained my J.D. at Washington University, School of Law in St. Louis, Missouri. It was a top 30 law school at the time and has achieved higher rankings since I graduated in 1993. The school taught me the value of building relationships while competing in moot court.

After graduating, I returned to Las Vegas to practice law based upon my experiences in the community. I passed the bar exam in 1993 and was admitted to the state, federal, and US Tax Court. My first job with senior attorney John Peter Lee taught me preparation in my representation of clients in various areas of law. My practice involved both federal and state practice, primarily in bankruptcy and commercial litigation. I also practiced in the areas of domestic law, administrative law and participated in arbitrations and mediations. I was admitted to the US Supreme Court in 1998. In the related case, I contacted a prior law professor regarding our opposition to a Writ of Certiorari, resulting in successfully defeating the writ. That same case provided me with several opportunities to write and argue appellate briefs to the US District Court, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the Bankruptcy Appellate

Panel. This gave me a good understanding of the appellate review process and application of precedent as well as the different view of the initial court of jurisdiction.

I have had a variety of cases in my practice of law over the thirty years in Nevada that have developed relationships with many attorneys and law firms. I respect and learn from every opposing counsel and their position, despite our opposing clients. I have good professional relationships and communication skills that help me get rational solutions for my clients. I have been employed by firms from 5 to 110 attorneys. I was employed by regional firms practicing in Nevada. Some of those initial regional firms did not always succeed but I learned the value of planning, using long term goals, and the differing perspectives of legal counsel outside of Nevada. The legal community and level of representation has improved and grown more complex. I recognize the value of the diversity of the practitioners in our legal community.

In 2010, I began a successful solo practice in bankruptcy reorganization with referrals from my prior firms. I passed the Arizona State Bar in 2012. Large firm experience was educational in handling complex litigation cases. Small practice has its challenges with complex cases, jury trials and administrative management duties but has allowed me to provide greater attention and care for my clients and develop my personal goals as well. I was provided mentoring guidance from senior attorneys and want to pass along that relational part of the practice. I have taught several CLE courses and mentored young attorneys through the TIPS program.

I have tried to pursue a variety of interests personally as well that I feel will benefit my ability to understand the position of parties that would appear before me. I have applied my long-term goal determination to complete a 2nd degree black belt and developing an appreciation of enjoyment of music and the enthusiasm of the artistic community that is a large part of Las Vegas' vitality.

Legal courts are a stabilizing part of the community and can guide the way the community grows and develops, although the legal system does not always address the questions of the parties involved. As a judge I recognize the need for legal guidance and answers is an important responsibility and should be respected for its impact. The community has, at times, lost faith in the legal system and its unfeeling decisions on hard issues. I have experienced judges that have caused delay and additional confusion and expense in cases. I have also experienced decisive judges that make abrupt decisions that move the case forward but leave the parties feeling that their position was not heard. It is difficult to say how I will address case issues; however, the integrity of the participants plays a large part in restoring that faith. I recognize that every person has a history and a story with a variety of chapters that brings them to their current point in life. I have a great respect for the ability of judges to make hard decisions. I will be able to look at all sides of the argument to make the necessary judgment. I was raised in a more conservative rural atmosphere but have lived in the urban environment for three decades and understand the different goals, objectives, and perspectives that people hold.

Judges rule on evidence and interpretations of law through prior cases and the statutes that are applicable in the case. I can be prepared for court hearings and address the issues in the hearings of my cases and apply the rules fairly.

I have worked hard to maintain my integrity and to strive to assist my clients. At times, my decisions have required me to recognize and correct errors. It is the ability to overcome conflicts, look for the solutions that keep me practicing law. The judge is the party that decides the legal issues with finality. I want to be an intelligent voice of objective control in cases that are being zealously advocated. I empathize with the parties but, as a judge, it is not my role to advocate for either side, but to listen with objectivity to the arguments and testimony presented.

Again, I think that my thirty years of experience have prepared me to fulfill the role of a district court judge and allow me to bring that experience to the courts and the public with integrity and consistency of the law to help the public respect the role of the court.

Timothy P. Thomas, Esq.