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Thomas Tierney focuses his practice on civil litigation, representing clients in commercial, business, employment, real estate, and probate and trust disputes. With extensive trial experience, Tom has tried numerous cases to verdict before both judges and juries. He also advises clients on construction law, including contract drafting and review, lien issues, and risk management strategies.

With more than three decades of legal experience, Tom began his career in San Diego handling business and commercial litigation before relocating to Vero Beach in 2000. He is admitted to practice in Florida and California, in all federal district courts in Florida, and before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Tom received the Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award in recognition of his long-standing commitment to providing legal services to those in need.

Tom is deeply engaged in the community and has held leadership roles with several organizations, including Riverside Theatre, the Hope for Families Center, and the Indian River Soccer Association. His dedication to service reflects his commitment to supporting the Vero Beach community both inside and outside the courtroom.

Recognitions

- *Florida Super Lawyers*, 2025, 2026
- The Florida Bar, President's Pro Bono Service Award, 2011
- Indian River County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Program, 2006

Community Activities

- Indian River Soccer Association, Board Member, 2013–present; President, 2014–present
- Access to Justice – Self Help Center Lawyer, Indian River County, 2023–present

Practices & Industries

Business Litigation

Construction

Construction Litigation

Labor & Employment Law

Probate & Estate Litigation

Real Estate Litigation

Admissions

Florida

California

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

U.S. District Court, Southern District of California

Education

University of San Diego School of Law, Diploma in Taxation, 2000

University of California College of the Law, San Francisco, J.D., *cum laude*, 1992

University of Notre Dame, B.A., with high honors, 1987

- Riverside Theatre, Board Member, 2012–present; President, 2022–2024
- Notre Dame Club of Vero Beach, Board Member, 2010–present; President, 2014–2018
- Visiting Nurse Association of the Treasure Coast, Board Member, 2008–2016
- Hope for Families Center, Board Member, 2003–2011; President, 2008–2011

Professional Certifications & Memberships

- Indian River County Bar Association, Board Member, 2007–2016; President, 2014–2015
- Brevard County Bar Association
- St. Lucie Bar Association
- Vassar B. Carlton American Inn of Court
- The Florida Bar
- State Bar of California
- *Hastings International and Comparative Law Review*, Managing Editor, 1991-1992
- Extern, The Honorable Marilyn Hall Patel, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, 1992

News

20 Lowndes Attorneys Named 2026 Florida Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
06.26.2026 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Publications

New Discovery Rules: What Litigators Must Know to Avoid Sanctions
11.24.2025 | ARTICLE

Five Common Triggers for a Real Estate Lawsuit
06.09.2025 | ARTICLE

Methods of Enforcing a Judgment
03.07.2025 | ARTICLE

A More Considerate Court: The Sixth District Expands Emotional Distress Damages
03.06.2025 | ARTICLE