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**Tanner Bishop Attorneys Named to Florida Trend Legal Elite  
for Fourth Consecutive Year**

**Jacksonville** – Tanner Bishop partners Michael G. Tanner and Thomas E. Bishop are among Florida Trend magazine's prestigious "Florida Legal Elite™" for 2010 – the fourth consecutive year that both attorneys have been named among the state's top lawyers. Tanner is named to the list's Business Litigation and Appellate categories and Bishop is listed in Business Litigation.

Voting by Florida Bar members and review by a selection committee develops the Legal Elite list, which will be published as part of the July 2010 issue of Florida Trend.

Florida Trend's Web site description of its Legal Elite designation aptly describes the honor by stating, "Just the name 'Legal Elite' says a lot about the attorneys whose names appear on Florida Trend's annual list. You could say they're at the top of their profession. The cream of the crop. Or the best of the best. All of those descriptions are apt."

Tanner is Florida Bar board certified in business litigation and civil trial and is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, Jacksonville chapter, and the Federal Bar Association of Jacksonville. He is a master and executive board member of the First District Appellate American Inn of Court and formerly chaired The Florida Bar Board of Legal Specialization & Education, which governs Florida's board certification program.

Bishop is a former state prosecutor who is a past president of the Federal Bar Association of Jacksonville. He holds membership in High Court of New Zealand, the Supreme Court of Queensland and the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory.

Tanner and Bishop are rated "AV" by Martindale-Hubbell Inc.

The rigorous Legal Elite selection process began with an invitation to all Florida Bar members to provide names of Florida lawyers they hold in the highest regard – lawyers they have worked with personally or would recommend to others. The votes were tallied by an independent research firm, and a Blue Ribbon Panel of prominent lawyers reviewed the list of attorneys who garnered the most votes. Legal Elite honorees include attorneys in private practice as well as prosecutors, public-service attorneys and law school professors.

For more information, visit Florida Trend's Legal Elite Web page at [www.floridatrend.com/law\\_elite.asp](http://www.floridatrend.com/law_elite.asp)

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