



## CONGRATULATIONS

Edward L. Winer, Co-Chair of Moss & Barnett's Family Law Group, has been chosen by *Worth* magazine in its December 2006 issue as one of "[The Top 100 Attorneys in the United States.](#)" He is the only Minnesota attorney included in the magazine's top 100 attorneys. A copy of *Worth* magazine's November 27, 2006 press release indicating how the top 100 attorneys are selected is attached for reference.

Ed has previously been 1) honored as one of only two attorneys in the United States who have been named by *Worth* magazine as one of the top 10 divorce lawyers in the nation; 2) included in the first ten editions of [The Best Lawyers In America](#); and 3) elected to membership in the [American College of Family Trial Lawyers](#), which limits its members to the best 100 family law trial attorneys in the United States.



With this latest recognition as a "Top 100 Attorney" by *Worth* magazine, Ed is the only Minnesota attorney and the only lawyer nationwide who has received all four honors.

Mr. Winer devotes his practice to complex dissolution proceedings, preparation of effective premarital and post-marital agreements and other challenging family law issues, including intellectual property and appeals. During his career, Ed has also been included in every edition of *Minnesota Law & Politics'* Super Lawyers, was the only Minnesota family law attorney named by *Town & Country* magazine in a survey of the best lawyers in the United States and has received similar honors. (See his bio on the Moss & Barnett website at [www.moss-barnett.com/Bio/EdwardWiner.asp](http://www.moss-barnett.com/Bio/EdwardWiner.asp).) Ed is a frequent media commentator, and he also lectures and writes on various legal topics. He is a *Phi Beta Kappa* graduate of the University of Minnesota and an Honors graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School.

Ed's approach is, "If we can minimize the emotion, the probability of a successful and earlier settlement is dramatically increased. In the absence of children, a divorce should be treated as a business transaction, to the extent possible. I pledge to my clients that I will devote my attention, loyalty, knowledge and experience to appropriately advance the client's interests, always within the bounds of ethical, honest and professional behavior. From the first day of representation, we will be working jointly to seek the road to resolution of the legal issues."

Moss & Barnett is a full-service law firm, providing efficient legal representation to its clients, with an emphasis on business, real estate, estate planning and wealth preservation, and litigation. Its [Family Law Group](#) is comprised of six attorneys and several experienced paralegals and legal assistants. Its members have been personally honored as among the *Best Lawyers In America*, as Super Lawyers, as Rising Stars, and have received numerous other honors and recognitions.

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DECEMBER ISSUE OF WORTH UNVEILS HIGHLY ANTICIPATED

## 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL LIST OF THE NATION'S "TOP 100 ATTORNEYS"

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*Also In The December Issue: How Lengthening Life Spans Are Revolutionizing Estate Planning; An Insider's Guide to Vietnam, and Much More*

(On Newsstands November 14, 2006)

New York, NY – The editors of *Worth* magazine have announced their much-anticipated list of the top 100 attorneys in the U.S. Hitting newsstands on November 14, the "100 Top Attorneys" list, now in its 2nd year, is the result of over a year's exhaustive research by *Worth's* editorial staff.

To pare down its list to 100, *Worth's* staff "searched for those who can think beyond the numbers and routine of their daily work," explained *Worth* Features Editor Emily DeNitto. "We wanted to know what types of strategic recommendations our nominees have made. We asked how they are responding to current trends and pivotal cases. We then examined their years of experience, time spent both behind a desk and in front of judges, as well as their thinking concerning the best and worst qualities for a lawyer in their field."

*Worth* focuses on attorneys specializing in trust and estates, philanthropy, elder care, matrimonial and other private practice areas. In addition to seeking individuals with exceptional legal expertise, *Worth* editors looked for lawyers with great tact, discretion and stellar interpersonal skills, enabling them to explain a client's options in the face of incredibly complicated legal and psychosocial issues. Also included in the article is a compilation of some of the nation's best legal minds gauging today's most troublesome topics for lawyers and their clients, including the future of the federal estate tax, equal rights for fathers, global strategies for individuals that own companies or property outside the U.S., and the non tax-related, highly personal side of estate planning.

The complete the "100 Top Attorneys" list is attached.

*Also in the December Issue:* In addition to the "100 Top Attorneys" guide, the December *Worth* includes "Live Long and Prosper," on the ways in which expanding life spans are changing the world of estate planning, including the potential for underestimating retirement portfolios, and not taking into proper account the needs of aging and possibly dependent parents; "Wolves at the Gates," on the ways in which boards must be prepared to accommodate, or battle with, activist hedge fund managers; and "Beyond Belief," on the reasons why secular and religious investors alike are drawn to the burgeoning market for Islamic investment products. Also, in addition to its regular departments, *Worth's* December issue provides an "Insider's Guide to Executive Travel: Vietnam," including snapshots of the country's political scene, demographics, key sectors, future prospects, and other pertinent facts.

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### Worth Magazine

*Worth* is the only magazine devoted exclusively to the best interests and unique challenges of readers who possess substantial wealth. Each issue offers astute and unbiased reports on such complex subjects as estate planning, private banking, philanthropy, trusts, entrepreneurship, and investment opportunities – topics crucial to the continued well-being of affluent families and individuals. *Worth* also examines a rich variety of "passion investments," including vintage cars, private aircraft, yachts, watches and jewelry, real estate, wine, art and antiques.

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