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***Southern California Super Lawyers 2008* Ranks Five Loyola Law School Alumni in Top 10**

**Los Angeles** – Loyola Law School alumni comprise five of the top 10 positions in *Southern California Super Lawyers 2008*. The five alumni, who lead the publication's list of the top 100 lawyers in Southern California, are Robert C. Baker '71, Baker Keener & Nahra; Thomas V. Girardi '64, Girardi | Keese; Walter J. Lack '73, Engstrom Lipscomb & Lack; Janet I. Levine '80, Lightfoot Vandavelde Sadowsky Crouchley Rutherford & Levine; and Stuart A. Liner, Liner Yankelevitz Sunshine & Regenstreif. The top 50 women list includes alumnae Nancy S. Cohen '78, Heller Ehrman; Levine; Ellen Pansky '77, Pansky & Markle; Patricia Phillips, '67, Phillips Jessner; Amy Fisch Solomon '87, Girardi | Keese; and Christine D. Spagnoli '86, Green Broillet & Wheeler. More than a dozen Loyola alumni ranked in the elite publication, which highlights just five percent of Southern California's lawyers. What's more, Girardi appeared on both its cover and in a main feature story. Professor Laurie Levenson was also named in the issue.

**About Southern California Super Lawyers 2008**

Law & Politics, which publishes *Super Lawyers*, generated nominees by querying 62,000 Southern California lawyers and doing its own independent research. The publisher winnowed that list by evaluating factors like peer recognition and professional achievement, including verdicts, settlements and scholarly lectures. Then, candidates with the highest marks served as panelists, reviewing and approving candidates from their respective practice areas. Finally, Law & Politics divided candidates according to firm size and selected those with the highest marks from each category. The publication also listed top lawyers in Orange County and by area of practice.

**About Loyola Law School Los Angeles**

Located in downtown Los Angeles—a legal, financial and media capital—Loyola Law School is home to prominent faculty, dedicated students and cutting-edge programs. Committed to legal ethics and the public interest, Loyola Law School has produced top attorneys for nearly a century. For expert commentary, please contact Brian Costello, deputy director of communications, at 213.736.1444 or [brian.costello@lls.edu](mailto:brian.costello@lls.edu). For more information on Loyola Law, please visit [www.lls.edu](http://www.lls.edu).

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