

Suzanne E. Durrell
and
Robert M. Thomas, Jr.
are pleased to announce their association
for joint representation of whistleblower (*qui tam*) clients
under the federal False Claims Act.

Ms. Durrell is the former Chief, Civil Division of the United States Attorney's Office in Boston, Massachusetts. She was lead civil attorney in a *qui tam* investigation that resulted in a record \$486 million settlement (January 2000). She is the recipient of several honors, including the *Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service*, the most prestigious recognition bestowed by the Department of Justice. Ms. Durrell also served as a Deputy Associate Attorney General in Washington, D.C. Since leaving government service, Ms. Durrell is in private practice handling False Claims Act litigation. She is a *cum laude* graduate of Georgetown University Law Center.

Mr. Thomas is an experienced criminal and civil trial lawyer practicing in Boston at Thomas & Associates. His firm handles *qui tam* litigation on behalf of whistleblowers, in addition to white-collar criminal defense matters and business litigation. Mr. Thomas also serves as a special prosecutor of labor racketeering cases as part of a national, government-mandated union reform effort. From 1989 to 1997, Mr. Thomas was an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of Maryland, where he was honored with the *E.P.A. Bronze Award* for outstanding contribution to the government's efforts in a federal Clean Water Act prosecution. He is a *cum laude* graduate of Harvard Law School.

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