

**Minds Eye Entertainment ANNOUNCES BROADCAST PREMIERE OF NEW PRIME TIME LEGAL DRAMA SERIES JUST CAUSE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 AT 9 P.M. ET ON W NETWORK IN CANADA AND PAX TV IN THE U.S.**

- **New one hour drama series stars ELIZABETH LACKEY (John Doe, Far and Away), SHAUN BENSON (The Associates, K:19 The Widowmaker) and RICHARD THOMAS (The Waltons, Wonder Boys)**
- **Just Cause is the first drama series commissioned by W Network**
- **Just Cause is a Saskatchewan-British Columbia Co-production**

**August 30, 2002 – (Regina, SK) Minds Eye Entertainment** is pleased to announce the broadcast premiere of the new legal drama series **Just Cause** on **Sunday, September 15 at 9pm ET on W Network**. The Saskatchewan-British Columbia co-production marks W Network's first commissioned drama series. *Just Cause* will resume its regular broadcast schedule on Sundays at 10pm ET.

*"We are pleased to be one of the few new Canadian-produced drama series this season," said Minds Eye Entertainment' executive producer Kevin DeWalt. "The series strong female lead creates a perfect fit for W Network and marks the return of The Waltons' Richard Thomas and The Associates' Shaun Benson to Canadian television audiences."*

**Just Cause** stars **ELIZABETH LACKEY** (*John Doe, Far and Away*) as Alexandra DeMonaco, a wrongly convicted young mother turned legal eagle. When paroled from prison, she lands a job as a legal assistant to a respected civil lawyer Hamilton Whitney (**RICHARD THOMAS** – *The Waltons, Wonder Boys*) and his handsome young associate Patrick Heller (**SHAUN BENSON** – *The Associates, K19: The Widowmaker*). With their help, Alex uses her new skills to champion underdog cases, clear her name and search for her missing daughter.

Filled with suspense, mystery, true grit and good humour, **Just Cause** was created by Jacqueline Zambrano, creator of the Emmy award winning *Gabriel's Fire* with James Earl Jones and *Under Suspicion*, and Gail Morgan Hickman, creator of *The Sentinel* and *The Enforcer*.

**Just Cause** is produced by Rhonda Baker and Vladimir Steffo and is executive produced by **Minds Eye Entertainment** C.E.O and president Kevin DeWalt, Jacqueline Zambrano and Gail Morgan Hickman.

*"We are very excited to have Just Cause as part of W Network's fall lineup," says Christine Shipton, Senior Director of Programming, W Network. "Produced by one of Canada's senior production companies, the series' likeable, fun and gutsy lead character will provide compelling drama for our viewers."*

Established in 1986, **Minds Eye Entertainment** is a fully integrated production, post-production and distribution entity with offices across Canada. As Western Canada's largest privately held film and television production company, **Minds Eye Entertainment** is currently in production with the television movie *Betrayed* (CBC) season two of *2030CE* (YTV), season four of *Mentors* (Family Channel), season one of *Just Cause* (W Network) and season two of *Prairie Berry Pie* (APTN). The Company website is [www.mindseyepictures.com](http://www.mindseyepictures.com).

**W Network** is owned by CORUS ENTERTAINMENT, a Canadian-based media and entertainment company. Corus is a market leader in both specialty TV and Radio. Corus' assets include 52 radio stations, four of Canada's leading specialty television networks, Canada's western pay-TV business and five digital channels. Corus also owns Nelvana Limited, one of the world's largest international producers and distributors of children's programming and products. The company's other interests include music, television broadcasting and advertising services. A publicly traded company, Corus is listed on the Toronto (CJR.B) and New York (CJR) Exchanges. Corus' Web site can be found at [www.corusentertainment.com](http://www.corusentertainment.com).

**Paxson Communications Corporation** owns and operates the nation's largest television station group and PAX TV, the newest broadcast television network that launched in August of 1998. PAX TV reaches 87% of U.S. television households via nationwide broadcast television, cable and satellite distribution systems. Paxson owns and operates 65 stations (including three stations operated under time brokerage agreements). PAX TV's new fall 2002 lineup includes "It's A Miracle," "Candid Camera" and "Doc," starring recording artist Billy Ray Cyrus and will premiere additional original series including, "Body & Soul," starring Peter Strauss and Larissa Laskin, "Sue

Thomas: F.B.Eye," starring Deanne Bray, a new series by the producers of "Doc" and "Just Cause" starring Elizabeth Lackey, Shaun Benson and Richard Thomas. For more information, visit PAX TV's website at [www.pax.tv](http://www.pax.tv).

**Just Cause** is produced with the financial participation of PAX TV, W Network - a Corus Entertainment Company, Minds Eye International and with the assistance of Saskatchewan Film Employment Tax Credit, Film Incentive British Columbia and Canadian Film or Video Production Tax Credit.

**Just Cause** is distributed internationally by Minds Eye International.

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