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Thomas formerly worked in construction, drove a limousine, performed executive protection, and ran a martial arts school. While a member of the U.S. Air Force, and later for a civilian contractor, he worked on top-secret electronic projects at Nevada's weapon testing ranges.

As the Cold War wound down, he joined Metro in 1992. A sixth-degree black belt in Katai-te Ryu karate, Thomas scored 100 percent on the Metro physical test even though he was, at 36, one of the older members of his police academy class. While a patrolman he distinguished himself as the fastest runner in numerous officer-and-felon foot races, and was one of the athletic officers assigned to the innovative and famous bicycle patrols on the Las Vegas Strip.

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