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## The Struggle Remains: Antonio Romanucci helped secure a record civil settlement for George Floyd's family. But the fight for justice continues for Chicago Lawyer's 2021 Person of the Year.

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Antonio Romanucci doesn't get intimidated. He's gone into the heart of a conservative Florida community and won a multi-million-dollar verdict in a police shooting case. He's battling stop-and-frisk policies in the City of Chicago. He's lead counsel for high-profile cases in Illinois against Sterigenics.

Those instances were in the courtroom, a second home to Romanucci. But, then there was the day he walked into a hotel conference room to meet approximately 60 grieving family members of George Floyd. He was nervous because he wanted to help a family shattered by the sudden, painful loss of one of their own.

It was just after Floyd's memorial service being covered live around the country and less than two weeks after Floyd's murder by Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin went viral and sparked anger, protests and at times vitriolic debate in every corner of the United States. Floyd family attorney Ben Crump quickly introduced his friend and gave Romanucci the floor. Romanucci wanted to be their lawyer and partner with Crump to help the family receive some closure against the city that employed the man who killed their son, their brother, their friend.

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