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9/03/2009--Boston College Law School is pleased to welcome the incoming first-year students from the class of 2012, one of the most competitive and impressive in the School's history. BC Law received over 7,100 applicants for 264 seats, or 27 candidates per seat. The number of applications received once again puts BC Law among the top few schools of its size in application volume.

"This is a remarkably talented group of first-year students," said Rita Jones, Assistant Dean for Admissions and Financial Aid. "We have five Fulbright scholars; two National Merit scholars; fifteen graduated Phi Beta Kappa. We have the 2005 national winner of "We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution" award, among many others with diverse backgrounds. Our Admissions Committee did a wonderful job."

The entering class has an average age of 24, ranging in age from 21 to 37. Twenty-eight percent are students of color. The median GPA is 3.53 and the median LSAT is 166. Twenty-nine students have already received advanced degrees. They come from 33 states and 107 different colleges and universities. They have an impressive service record, with a number of them having served in Americorps, the Peace Corps, Teach for America, and the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, as well as Habitat for Humanity, Amnesty International and OXFAM.

Several students have served their country as members of the Army, the Air Force, and the Navy. Other students have been legislative fellows, staffers, press secretaries, and interns for members of Congress as well as the British Parliament, US Attorneys, the Department of Justice, and the Conservation Law Foundation, among others.

One student has worked as a freelance photojournalist for the NY Times; another worked as a Baghdad-based AP Chief Photographer and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Breaking News Photography in 2007. Several students have founded and raised 50K for a program advocating for and mentoring Vietnamese girls aged 14-18 in Dorchester, MA; some have worked as a site coordinator for Legal Information for Families Today (LIFT) in the Bronx Family Court, and trained staff in HIV/AIDS prevention in Sub Saharan Africa. The class of 2012 brings expertise from numerous fields, including nuclear physics, broadcast radio, social justice, fine arts, business planning, capital markets, engineering, performance art, and professional sports.