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9/27/02-- In October of 2002, Boston College Law School will be hosting an important event in intellectual property and Internet law. "Intellectual Property, E-Commerce and the Internet," a symposium dealing with ownership and availability of Internet technology, will take place on the BC Law campus on October 18-19, in East Wing Room 400. The event is sponsored by the Boston College Law Review, Hale and Dorr, LLP, and Goodwin Procter, LLP.

"The Law School is especially pleased to host this symposium because Internet technology raises many fascinating and important social and economic issues that need to be addressed by law," said Professor Alfred Yen, one of the event organizers. "Moreover, the presenters and commentators coming to BC Law are among the most thoughtful and prominent thinkers about Internet issues. They bring a considerable amount of academic expertise and practical experience to us, and the symposium that will be published by the Boston College Law Review promises to be among the most widely read of those forthcoming this year."

The symposium will present the ideas of 9 prominent new thinkers who are leading the Internet debate (listed below). Each scholar will present a paper to be published in an upcoming symposium issue of the Boston College Law Review. A distinguished panel drawn from the academy and practicing bar will then offer comments on these papers. Other events include two lunches, a reception in the afternoon of October 18, and a speakers' dinner in the evening of October 18.

The symposium audience will include members of the practicing bar, corporate counsel, legal academics, law students, and others interested in the connection between intellectual property, commerce and the Internet.

Speakers:

Stacey Dogan, Northeastern University

Paper: An Exclusive Right to Evoke

Michael Geist, University of Ottawa

Paper: Cyberlaw 2.0: New Laws and New Borders

Justin Hughes, Cardozo Law School

Paper: Cyberspace and the Persistence of Law

Joseph Liu, Boston College

Paper: Copyright Law's Theory of the Consumer

Michael Madison, University of Pittsburgh

Paper: Rights of Access and the Shape of the Internet

Michael Meurer, Boston University

Paper: Controlling Frivolous and Anti-Competitive Intellectual Property Litigation

Ruth Okediji, University of Oklahoma

Paper: Trading Posts in Cyberspace: Law, Custom and the Construction of Proprietary Interests in the Digital Economy

R. Anthony Reese, University of Texas

Paper: The First-Sale Doctrine in the Era of Digital Networks

Jonathan Zittrain, Harvard University

Paper: Legislating Code

For more information on the symposium and to register online, please visit the Website at www.bc.edu/techsymp.

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