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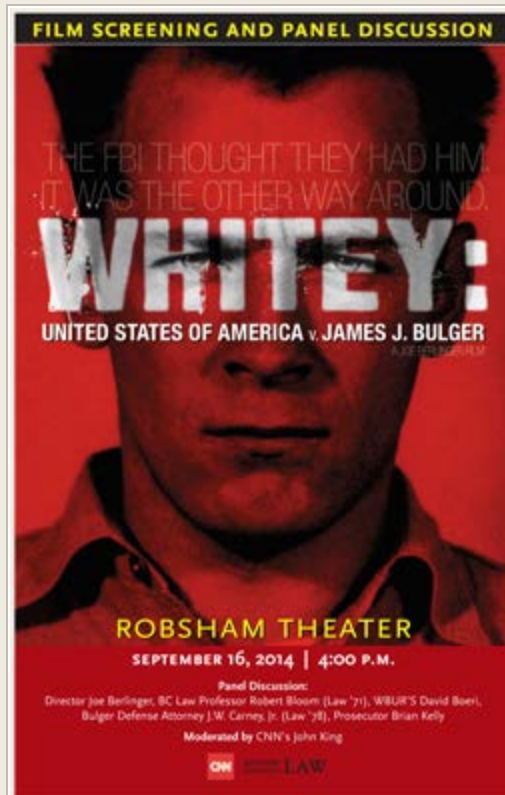
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Newton, MA— On September 16, 2014, Boston College Law School partnered with CNN FILMS to present a special early screening of the upcoming documentary WHITEY: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA V. JAMES J. BULGER. The screening was followed by a panel discussion featuring the prosecution and defense team, reporters who covered the case, the film's director, and BC Law professor Robert Bloom '71. The panel was moderated by CNN's chief national correspondent and anchor of Inside Politics, John King.

Watch the panel discussion at Boston College online at cnn.com.

"We were very pleased to bring this important event to Boston College," said BC Law Dean Vincent Rougeau. "This was a landmark case—important both to the state of Massachusetts and to the country. The screening and panel discussion was an excellent opportunity for our law students to hear directly from both sides and gain a better understanding of how a case

like this was handled."

J.W. Carney, who handled Bulger's defense, participated in the panel discussion and is a 1978 graduate of BC Law.

WHITEY follows the sensational 2013 trial of the notorious Boston gangster James 'Whitey' Bulger, using the dramatic courtroom proceedings as a springboard to explore allegations of corruption within the highest levels of law enforcement. Embedded for months with victims' families, FBI agents, Massachusetts State Police, federal prosecutors, Bulger's defense attorneys, gangsters and journalists, Academy Award nominated filmmaker Joe Berlinger examines Bulger's relationship with the FBI and U.S. Department of Justice that allowed him to reign over a criminal empire in Boston for decades. Pulling back the curtain on long held Bulger mythology, the film challenges conventional wisdom by detailing shocking, new allegations of collusion and accusations of federal and police corruption. With unprecedented access to key stakeholders in the infamous narrative, Berlinger's latest crime documentary offers a universal tale of human frailty, opportunism, deception, and the often elusive nature of truth and justice.

Panelists:

J.W. Carney '78, defense team

Brian Kelly, prosecution

David Boeri, NPR

Professor Robert Bloom, BC Law

Joe Berlinger, Director

Moderator:

John King



BC Law Dean Vincent Rougeau addresses the crowd at the 'Whitey' film screening and panel.