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## Dean Rougeau Named to Lawyers of Color Power List

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Newton, MA--Boston College Law School is pleased to announce that Dean Vincent Rougeau has once again been named to Lawyers of Color's list of the most influential minority attorneys in the United States.

The LOC publication features profiles of the nation's most influential minority attorneys working in government, academics, and both the public and private sectors. It also includes profiles of non-minority attorneys who have championed diversity. Honorees will be toasted at a cocktail reception in Washington, DC on March 18, 2015.

In conjunction with the publication and reception, Lawyers of Color will also host the First Annual Power Summit , which will be held at George Washington Law School. The symposium is cosponsored by GW Law's Asian/Pacific American Law Student Association (APALSA), Black Law Student Association (BLSA), Hispanic Law Student Association (HLSA), and South Asian Law Students Association (SALSA), and will consist of a series of roundtable discussions with law school deans, general counsel, social justice attorneys, and law firm partners.

Dean Rougeau joined BC Law in July 2011. He previously served as a professor of law at Notre Dame, and served as their Associate Dean for Academic Affairs from 1999-2002. He received his A.B. magna cum laude from Brown University in 1985, and his J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1988, where he served as articles editor of the Harvard Human Rights Journal.

An expert in Catholic social thought, Dean Rougeau's book *Christians in the American Empire: Faith and Citizenship in the New World Order*, was released by Oxford University Press. His current research and writing consider the relationship between religious identity and notions of democratic citizenship and membership in an increasingly mobile global order, one that is marked in certain regions by high levels of economic inequality and political instability. He serves as Senior Fellow at the Contextual Theology Centre ("CTC") in London, where he researches broad-based community organizing, immigration, and citizenship in the UK as part of the Just Communities Project. Just Communities began as a partnership among Notre Dame, the CTC, and Magdalen College, Oxford University that explored the role of religious communities in community organizing and the formation of democratic citizens in the multicultural neighborhoods of East London. The project is now a collaboration between Boston College and the CTC.

Dean Rougeau's teaching interests are in contract and real estate law, as well as in law and religion. Before entering the academy, he practiced law at the Washington, DC office of Morrison & Foerster from 1988-1991. Prior to his arrival at Boston College, Dean Rougeau was a Senior Fellow at the Contextual Theology Center ("CTC") in London and co-founded an effort called "Just Communities: Christian Witness in a Pluralist Society." He also served as the director of the Notre Dame Law School's Center for Law and Government and supervised the Journal of Law, Ethics, and Public Policy while a member of the faculty.

Lawyers of Color publisher Yolanda Young notes that according to the American Bar Association, less than 12% of U.S. attorneys are minority. Says Young, "While many of our

honorees have received individual recognition, this provides the only comprehensive list of the nation's most influential minority attorneys. We are proud to solute this esteemed group."

Lawyers of Color has been recognized by the American Bar Association, National Black Law Students Association, and National Association of Black Journalists. Founded in 2008 as a news and resource center, the company has grown into a social media firm providing research, career development, and brand marketing opportunities to clients.

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