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5/25/00, Newton, MA--Boston College Law School Dean John H. Garvey recently announced that Academic Dean James S. Rogers is stepping down from a position he had held for three years, and appointed Professor Fred Yen as Rogers' successor.

"[Dean Rogers] has done far more than one accepting the office might have been led to expect...throughout his tenure he has continued to teach students with his customary brilliance," Dean Garvey said. "I am delighted to be able to say that Professor Rogers will be succeeded by Professor Alfred Yen. This is not an easy act to follow, but I know that Fred will do wonderfully at it."

During part of Dean Rogers' three years as Academic Dean, he acted as Interim Dean for the law school, leading the school "with admirable intelligence and energy," according to Dean Garvey. He will continue to teach students as a member of the faculty.

Professor Fred Yen has been a member of the BCLS faculty for 13 years. Before joining the school in 1987, he earned his B.S. in mathematics and M.S. in Operations Research from Stanford University, and his J.D. from Harvard Law School. He then practiced in Los Angeles for four years at the law firm of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter and Hampton.

Professor Yen has written regularly in the area of copyright law and served as counsel of record/lead author for an amicus brief to the United States Supreme Court on behalf of 12 copyright scholars in the case of Campbell v. Acuff-Rose Music Publishing Co. Professor Yen also has scholarly interests in Asian-Americans and law, intellectual property, law and technology and legal theory.

Professor Yen presently serves on the Board of Governors for the Society of American Law Teachers and the Board of Overseers for the New England Conservatory. He was recently appointed to the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) task force on diversity in legal education, and is chair of the AALS section on art law. [Yen faculty page]