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4/13/09--Boston College Law School is pleased to announce that Mary-Rose Papandrea has been promoted to associate professor with tenure, and Joe Liu has been promoted to full professor.

"Mary-Rose and Joe are wonderful examples of why our faculty is so special," said BC Law Dean John Garvey. "They are invaluable members of our community, brilliant scholars and dedicated teachers. They have accomplished much in their young careers already, and there is much more to come."

Papandrea received her B.A. at Yale University and her J.D. at University of Chicago. After law school, she clerked for Hon. John G. Koeltl of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, Hon. Douglas H. Ginsburg of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, and Hon. David H. Souter of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Following her clerkships, she spent many years as a litigator at Williams & Connolly in Washington, D.C., where she specialized in media defense and First Amendment litigation.

Papandrea was a visiting professor at Fordham and the University of Connecticut, before joining the faculty at BC Law in 2004. Her primary teaching and research interests include constitutional law, civil procedure, media law, and national security and civil liberties.

Papandrea is the treasurer of the AALS National Security Law Section and secretary of the AALS Mass Communication Law Section. She is a member of the Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, and D.C. bars.

Liu received his B.A. in Physics and Philosophy from Yale University in 1989, his J.D. from Columbia University in 1994 and his L.L.M from Harvard University. While at Columbia, he was the Editor-in-Chief of the Columbia Law Review.

After law school, he clerked for Judge H. Campbell of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Following his clerkship, he was a litigator at Foley, Hoag & Eliot in Boston, where he specialized in intellectual property litigation, securities litigation, and white-collar criminal defense.

Liu was a Climenko Teaching Fellow in the Lawyering Program at Harvard Law School, an assistant professor at U.C. Hastings College of Law, and the Vice President and General Counsel at BuyerZone.com, an internet start-up company, prior to joining the BC Law faculty in 2001.