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John Garvey

John Garvey is the dean of Boston College Law School and currently serves as the president of the Association of American Law Schools.

Prior to his current position, he served as assistant to the solicitor general of the United States and taught at Kentucky, Michigan, and Notre Dame. In 1999, he came to Boston College.

An author of influential textbooks on constitutional theory and the First Amendment, Garvey has published What Are Freedoms For? He has also co-authored Religion and the Constitution for which he received the 2004 Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit Book Award, and Sexuality and the U.S. Catholic Church.

Garvey traces his Irish roots through his grandparents, natives of counties Armagh, Cork and Donegal.

Garvey graduated from the University of Notre Dame and received a JD from Harvard Law School. He is married with five children.