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***Angel's Advocate* by Mary Stanton Slated for June Release:**

Berkley Prime Crime will release *Angel's Advocate*, book two of Mary Stanton's Beaufort & Company mystery series, on June 2, 2009

NEW YORK, NY – *Angel's Advocate* by Mary Stanton will be released by Berkley Prime Crime in June 2009. *Angel's Advocate*, book two of Stanton's Beaufort & Company mystery series, will be available wherever fine books are sold on June 2, 2009. *Angel's Advocate* is the thirty-fourth novel for Mary Stanton, who has also written the Hemlock Falls and the Dr. McKenzie series under *nom de plume* Claudia Bishop.

Stanton's Beaufort & Company Mystery series features Brianna "Bree" Winston-Beaufort, the oldest daughter of a wealthy, eccentric South Carolina family, who inherits a haunted law firm smack dab in the middle of a graveyard in Savannah, Georgia.

In *Angel's Advocate* (Berkley Prime Crime, ISBN: 978-0425228753, \$7.99) Bree is back to business unusual at Beaufort & Company. With her most peculiar (a.k.a. "dead") clientele and her anything-but-angelic staff, Bree finds that money's a bit tight at Beaufort & Company. After all, while the dead certainly need Bree's help in appealing to a higher court, they're not exactly paying clients.

Bree finally lands a case to help pay the bills when she is hired to represent Lindsey Chandler, a spoiled teenager accused of stealing a Girl Scout's cookie money. But this isn't exactly a case of petty theft, since Lindsey allegedly tried to run over said Girl Scout with her Hummer. And if that weren't bad enough, Lindsey is anything but remorseful, making this case –and Bree, by association – the talk of Savannah.

To her dismay, Bree soon finds that Lindsay's deceased father, millionaire Probert Chandler, also needs her help to prove that his death was no accident.

Caught between defending the living and the dead, Bree finds herself in extraordinary circumstances. But this time, Bree finds some extraordinary danger along the way.

Will Bree finally learn how to make a living off the living? Or will the cases of this unsavory father/daughter duo lead Bree – and Beaufort & Company – to a dead end?

Set in Savannah, Georgia, the world's most haunted city, *Angel's Advocate* is a charming, inventive and wildly entertaining tale.

In a starred review, *Publishers Weekly* calls *Defending Angels*, book one of the Beaufort & Company mystery series, "Engaging and charismatic. A breath of fresh air for fans of paranormal cozy mysteries."

Mary Stanton divides her time between an 850-head goat farm in upstate New York, and West Palm Beach, Florida. *Angel's Advocate* is her thirty-fourth novel. *Angel's Advocate* will be available nationwide on June 2, 2009. For more information, please contact Maryglenn McCombs by phone – (615) 297-9875, or by email – maryglenn@maryglenn.com

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