In January 2008, the ABA JOURNAL listed Professor Lori Andrews as a "Newsmaker of the Year" and predicted that her work will "shape the legal news in 2008." The ABA JOURNAL described her as "a lawyer with a literary bent who has the scientific chops to rival any CSI investigator."

Since passing her bar exam the day Louise Brown, the first test-tube baby, was born, Lori Andrews has become an internationally recognized expert on biotechnologies. Her path-breaking litigation about reproductive and genetic technologies and the disposition of frozen embryos caused the NATIONAL LAW JOURNAL to list her as one of the "100 Most Influential Lawyers in America." In 2002, she won the National Health Law Teachers Award. In 2005, she was made an Honorary Fellow of the American College of Legal Medicine for her "distinguished achievement in the field of legal medicine."

Professor Andrews is a distinguished professor of law at Chicago-Kent; director of IIT's Institute for Science, Law and Technology; and an associate vice president of IIT. She has been a visiting professor at Case Western Reserve University School of Law and at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University. She received her B.A. summa cum laude from Yale College and her J.D. from Yale Law School.

Professor Andrews has also been involved in setting policies for genetic technologies. She has been an adviser on genetic and reproductive technology to Congress, the World Health Organization, the National Institutes of Health, the Centers for Disease Control, the federal Department of Health and Human Services, the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences, and several foreign nations including the emirate of Dubai and the French National Assembly. She served as chair of the federal Working Group on the Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications of the Human Genome Project. She recently served as a consultant to the science ministers of 12 countries on the issues of embryo stem cells, gene patents and DNA banking. She has also advised artists who want to use genetic engineering to become creators with a capital "C" and invent new living species. Her media appearances include "Nightline" and "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and virtually every major program in between.

Professor Andrews is the author of ten non-fiction books, including GENETICS: ETHICS, LAW AND POLICY (West Publishing 2002 & 2d ed. 2006), FUTURE PERFECT: CONFRONTING DECISIONS ABOUT GENETICS (Columbia University Press 2001), and THE CLONE AGE: ADVENTURES IN THE NEW WORLD OF REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY (Henry Holt 2000). She is the author of more than 150 articles on health care policy, biotechnology, genetics and reproductive technologies. Professor Andrews is also the author of three mysteries involving a fictional geneticist: SEQUENCE (2006), THE SILENT ASSASSIN (2007) and IMMUNITY(2008). THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE said, "Blending elements of forensic-powered mystery, psychological suspense and a Ludlumesque espionage thriller, Andrews’ newest is a page-turner with enough jaw-dropping plot twists to satisfy the most demanding mystery reader." Research on her latest novel took her from the White House to an institute for tropical biology in the jungles of Vietnam. She uses her fiction to address the social issues she covers in her legal work and teaching.