CAMPBELL LAW CAREER CENTER: EMPLOYMENT SEARCH RESOURCES

GENERAL

ABA Career Counsel - http://www.abalcc.org/ - This is the ABA’s central online information on finding jobs and enhancing lawyers’ careers. Visit the various areas of this site for tips on finding the right job and maximizing your career, job postings, tools and links to career related resources.

Law Periscope – http://www.lawperiscope.com – Profiles for the 300 largest law firms in the United States

NALP: The National Association of Legal Career Professionals – http://www.nalp.org – The professional organization for Legal Career Services Officers and Recruiters. Members include ABA-accredited law schools, such as Tuoro Law Center, as well as firms, governmental agencies, corporations and public interest organizations. NALP publishes many excellent resources, including two directories: The NALP Directory on Legal Employers can be accessed online at http://nalpdirectory.com/.

Below are resources to conduct law firm research, view law firm profiles, and classified ads across the country as well as obtain information about legal specialties and job search advice.

- ABA Career Counsel - http://www.abalcc.org/
- LegalStaff.com Legal Career Center – http://legalstaff.com
- “Student Professionalism During the Interview Season: A Quick Guide to Your Ethical Responsibilities in the Offer and Decision-Making Process.” This resource can be accessed either through the “JD Job Seekers” tab or through the “Forms” link on NALP’s site. <http://www.nalp.org/jobseekers/> <http://www.nalp.org/forms>

ABA Employment Tips and Resources

- Career Center (http://www.abalcc.org/)
- Collection of Articles for Your Job Search (http://www.abalcc.org/#find)
- Young Lawyers Division Career Page (www.americanbar.org/groups/young_lawyers.html)
- Job Hunting Tips (www.abanet.org/lsd/entities/jobtips.pdf)
- How to Get a Job on the Hill (www.abanet.org/govpub/job.html)
• Young Lawyer Division Newsletter (www.americanbar.org/groups/young_lawyers/publications.html)
• Young Lawyer Division 101 Practice Series – an online resource covering basic training in both substantive and practical aspects of law practice. Designed as a resource for lawyers in their first three years of practice (www.abanet.org/yld/101practiceseries/101practiceseries.shtml)

ABA LEGAL JOB BOARDS

• ABA Job Boards
• Careers at the American Bar Association
• Ethnic and Racial Diversity Job Board
• Careers in National Security Law/ Jobs
• Pro Bono and Public Interest
• State and Local Government Resume Database
• Tax Law Job Locator Program

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Application Process: Some federal positions require that an applicant form be submitted along with a resume and cover letter. The type of form varies depending on the agency to which you are applying. The specific job posting should indicate what form is required, if any. To access all federal forms, please visit: https://www.opm.gov/forms/.

Search engines: To access the official web page of all three branches of the federal government, as well as virtually every federal agency (such as the EPA, HUD, as well as the Department of Education, Energy, Defense, and Transportation) visit http://www.firstgov.gov.

Loan Forgiveness: The Federal student loan repayment program permits agencies to repay Federally insured student loans as a recruitment or retention incentive for candidates or current employees of the federal government. For more information go to http://www.opm.gov/oca/pay/studentloan/index.asp.

Federal Job Sites:

• Student Internships & Volunteer Opportunities with the Federal Government – https://www.usajobs.gov/
• U.S. Office of Personnel Management – https://www.usajobs.gov/ - Official site for all job openings within the federal government
  Password: wiggins (Login updated annually, consult Career Center if expired)
• Central Intelligence Agency – https://www.cia.gov/careers/index.html
• Congressional Budget Office – https://www.cbo.gov/about/careers
• Federal Bureau of Investigation – https://www.fbi.gov/
• Federal Bureau of Prisons – https://www.bop.gov/jobs/
• Federal Communications Commission – https://www.fcc.gov/general/fcc-jobs
• NASA – https://nasajobs.nasa.gov/
• Opportunities in Public Affairs – http://opajobs.com/entry-level-jobs-internships.html
• Social Security Commission – https://www.ssa.gov/careers/
• U.S. Department of Justice Recruitment Ambassadors – A listing of volunteer DOJ attorneys who are available to assist and answer questions about the Department’s legal hiring programs. Each ambassador is assigned to a specific law school to serve. https://www.justice.gov/legal-careers/ambassadors
• U.S. General Services Administration – https://gsa.gov/portal/content/105311
• U.S. Postal Service – https://about.usps.com/careers/
• White House Internship Program – https://www.whitehouse.gov/participate/internships/apply

STATE GOVERNMENT

NC Job Sites:
• NC Office of State Personnel – https://oshr.nc.gov/work-for-nc
• NC Department of Justice – http://www.ncdoj.gov/getdoc/98c3eb68-58ab-4acd-8940-d22d1a0c0f9b/2-6-5-4-Legal-Careers.aspx
• NC Courts – https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/northcarolina

Other State Job Sites:
• Maryland General Assembly – http://dls.state.md.us/Content.aspx?page=75
• State and Local Government on the Net – http://www.statelocalgov.net/
• Tennessee Valley Authority – https://www.tva.com/Careers

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

• Law.com Law Jobs Career Center – http://lawjobs.com/ - In addition to conducting a free search of classified ads nationwide, the Career Center provides news, legal surveys, and many other resources.
• Lawyers USA – http://lawyersusaonline.com/
• North Carolina Lawyer’s Weekly – http://nclawyersweekly.com/
THE JUDICIARY

Federal Court

- Vacancies for Federal Law Clerks – https://oscar.uscourts.gov/hiring-practices - The Federal Judiciary created a site that provides information about Federal Clerkships and includes frequently asked questions, hiring practices, and more information about the application process.
- Federal Judicial Center – http://www.fjc.gov/ - This is a comprehensive site providing excellent resources about the federal judiciary.
- Federal Judiciary Homepage – http://www.uscourts.gov/ - This lists job openings within the federal courts system. Additional employment opportunities are posted on each federal court’s individual website, which can be located via the “links” section of the Federal Judiciary Homepage.
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces - http://www.armfor.uscourts.gov/newcaaf/home.htm
- U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans’ Claims – https://www.uscourts.cavc.gov/
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims – http://www.uscfc.uscourts.gov/
- U.S. Court of International Trade – https://www.cit.uscourts.gov/
- U.S. Tax Court – https://www.ustaxcourt.gov/lc_program.htm
- Yale Law Library – http://library.law.yale.edu/

State Court

- National Center for State Courts – http://www.ncsc.org/Information-and-Resources/Browse-by-State.aspx - This site provides direct links to state court websites throughout the country.
- For state clerkships, review the Vermont Law School Guide to State Judicial Clerkships online at – http://forms.vermontlaw.edu/career/guides/ - [Log-in – username: maple; password: leaf]
- State Court Directory – http://www.statelocalgov.net/50states-courts.cfm
- North Carolina Business Court – http://www.ncbusinesscourt.net/

General

**PRACTICE AREAS:**

**Alternative Careers for Lawyers:** A legal education is very broad and allows for employment in not only a traditional career, such as private practice, but also in non-traditional careers. Examples of non-traditional careers include:

- Working in a Human Resources department handling employee and labor relations issues
- Working in a hospital, corporation, insurance company, or government entity as a risk manager.
- Working in a law firm as a recruiter, trainer, or manager
- Working for a bar association as a foundation director, administrator, or community relations liaison
- Working for a corporation or other business as an affirmative action officer, pension officer, contract specialist, or policy analyst
- Working in a law school or education institutional teaching law-related courses, and
- Working in the political arena as a lobbyist, political fund-raiser, or on staff for a public official.

**Alternative Careers:**

- HR Next – [http://hr.blr.com/](http://hr.blr.com/)
- International Personnel Management Association – [http://ipma-hr.org/](http://ipma-hr.org/)
- Risk and Insurance Management Society – [https://www.rims.org/Pages/Default.aspx](https://www.rims.org/Pages/Default.aspx)
- Society of Human Resources Management – [https://www.shrm.org/](https://www.shrm.org/)

**Animal Rights Legal Advocacy:**

- American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (“ASPCA”) – [https://www.aspca.org/](https://www.aspca.org/) - The ASPCA’s law department deals with a variety of issues including estate matters (animal lovers often name the ASPCA in wills).

**Aviation Law:**

- Legal Information Institute – [https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/aviation](https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/aviation)

**Banking & Finance:**

- ABA Section on Business Law – [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/business_law.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/business_law.html)
- Department of the Treasury – [https://www.treasury.gov/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.treasury.gov/Pages/default.aspx)
- Department of Revenue – [http://www.dor.state.nc.us/](http://www.dor.state.nc.us/)
- National Credit Union Administration – [https://www.ncua.gov/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.ncua.gov/Pages/default.aspx)
- Small Business Administration – [https://www.sba.gov/](https://www.sba.gov/)
- U.S. Department of the Treasury – [https://www.treasury.gov/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.treasury.gov/Pages/default.aspx)

**Business:**

- Small Business Administration – [https://www.sba.gov/](https://www.sba.gov/)

**Careers within Colleges and Universities:**

- American Association of Community Colleges – [http://aacc.nche.edu/Pages/default.aspx](http://aacc.nche.edu/Pages/default.aspx)
- Association of American Colleges and Universities – [https://www.aacu.org/](https://www.aacu.org/)

**Careers as a Law Librarian:**


**Computer & Technology Law:**

- ABA Section on Science & Technology Law – [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/science_technology.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/science_technology.html)
• The Center for Internet and Society – http://cyberlaw.stanford.edu/

Corporate /In-House Counsel:

• Association of Corporate Counsel – http://www.acc.com/
• ACCA In-House Jobs – http://jobline.acc.com/

Criminal Justice:

• ABA Section on Criminal Justice – http://www.americanbar.org/groups/criminal_justice.html
• Academy of Criminal Justice – http://www.acjs.org/
• American Civil Liberties Union – https://www.aclu.org/
• Association of Federal Defense Attorneys – http://afda.org/
• Federal Bureau of Investigation – https://www.fbi.gov/
• The Law and Society Association – http://www.lawandsociety.org/
• National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys – https://www.nacdl.org/
• National Legal Aid & Defender Association – https://www.nlada.org/
• National District Attorneys Association – http://www.ndaa.org/
• National Institute of Justice – https://www.nij.gov/Pages/welcome.aspx
• NCBA, Criminal Justice Section – http://www.ncbar.org/members/sections/criminal-justice
• Southern Poverty Law Center – https://www.splcenter.org/
• Public Justice – http://www.publicjustice.net/
• United States Department of Justice – https://www.justice.gov/

Education:

• National School Boards Association – https://www.nsba.org/

Elder Law:

• American College of Trust & Estate Counsel – http://www.actec.org/
• Association of Healthcare Medical Lawyers – https://www.healthlawyers.org/Pages/home.aspx
• Medicare Rights Center – https://www.medicarerights.org/
• National Association of Elder Law Attorneys – https://www.naela.org/
• Justice in Aging – http://www.justiceinaging.org/
• NCBA, Elder Law Section – https://www.ncbar.org/members/sections/elder-special-needs-law/

Employment & Labor Law:

• ABA Section on Labor & Employment Law – http://www.americanbar.org/groups/labor_law.html
• National Employment Lawyers Association – https://www.nela.org/
• National Labor Relations Board – https://www.nlrb.gov/
Entertainment Law:

- Screen Actors Guild – [https://www.sagaftra.org/](https://www.sagaftra.org/)
- Variety – [http://variety.com/](http://variety.com/) - This site contains invaluable information about the entertainment industry and should be read regularly by anyone who is seriously interested in entering this field.

Environmental Law:

- Environmental Protection Agency – [https://www.epa.gov/](https://www.epa.gov/)
- Environmental Defense Fund – [https://www.edf.org/](https://www.edf.org/)
- Environmental Law Institute – [https://www.eli.org/](https://www.eli.org/)
- The Nature Conservancy – [http://www.nature.org/](http://www.nature.org/)
- U.S. Department of Justice, Environmental & Natural Resources Division – [https://www.justice.gov/enrd](https://www.justice.gov/enrd)

Family Law:

- ABA Section on Family Law – [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/family_law.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/family_law.html)

Health Law:

- ABA Section on Health Law – [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/health_law.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/health_law.html)
- American Health Lawyers Association – [https://www.healthlawyers.org/Pages/home.aspx](https://www.healthlawyers.org/Pages/home.aspx)
The U.S. Patent Office Licensing Exam (“Patent Bar”) is offered in April and October each year, with registration required four (4) months in advance. Go to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office’s website for details.

Each year there are four important career fairs specifically geared toward careers in intellectual property.

- The Loyola Patent Law Interview Program is held each August in Chicago. Major intellectual property law firms and corporate legal departments from across the country interview students from both summer and permanent positions. The Career Center will receive registration materials in the Spring Semester.
- The American Intellectual Property Lawyers Association (AIPLA) hosts a career fair each fall in Washington, D.C. Students with either technical or non-technical backgrounds are interviewed for summer and full-time positions with prominent firms across the country. Participants must join AIPLA by the August preceding the fair in order to participate. For more information visit www.aipla.org.
- The Southeastern Intellectual Property Job Fair (SIPJF), held annually in July, is an initiative founded by the Intellectual Property Advisory Board, which is an alumni group associated with the Georgia State University College of Law. The fair is managed and executed by the Georgia State University College of Law Career Services Office. SIPJF continues to position itself to become the IP job fair that encompasses all areas of intellectual property from litigation to
transactional to prosecution, across all industries and types of organizations. For more information, please visit [http://sipjf.law.gsu.edu/](http://sipjf.law.gsu.edu/).

- The San Francisco Intellectual Property Association (SFILPA) Annual Bay Area Job Fair is held each August. For more information visit [https://sfipla.com/sfipla-events/job-fair/](https://sfipla.com/sfipla-events/job-fair/).

Summer Institute in Intellectual Property Law: Franklin Pierce Law Center’s Intellectual Property Summer Institute, established in 1987, is a very comprehensive academic summer program in intellectual property law and licensing (technology transfer). The institute draws intellectual property professionals from over 24 countries. Up to twelve (12) credits may be earned in nine weeks in this concentrated, intensive program. Law students may gain professional practice skills, enabling them to “hit the deck running” when they enter intellectual property practice.

**International Law:**

- ABA Section on International Law – [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/international_law.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/international_law.html)
- ABA Section on International Law’s International Internship Program – [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/international_law/students/internships1.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/international_law/students/internships1.html)
- American Society of International Law – [https://www.asil.org/](https://www.asil.org/)
- Association for Women’s Rights in Development – [https://www.awid.org/](https://www.awid.org/)
- For Careers in International Law – [http://www2.lib.uchicago.edu/~llou/careers.html](http://www2.lib.uchicago.edu/~llou/careers.html)
- International Affairs Network – [http://www2.etown.edu/vl/](http://www2.etown.edu/vl/)
- International Law Students Association – [https://www.ilsa.org/](https://www.ilsa.org/)
- U.S. State Department – [https://www.state.gov/](https://www.state.gov/)
Military:

- U.S. Coast Guard – https://www.gocostguard.com/reserve-careers

Medical Malpractice:

- Medical Litigation – http://medlit.info/

Public Interest Law:

- Alliance Defending Freedom – http://www.adfmedia.org/Home/About/
- Alliance for Justice – http://www.afj.org/
- American Federation of Labor – Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) – http://www aflcio.org/
- Center for Constitutional Rights – http://ccrjustice.org/
- Center for Justice and Accountability – http://cja.org/
- Center for Justice and International Law – https://www.cejil.org/en
- Center for Reproductive Rights – https://www.reproductiverights.org/
- Corporate Pro Bono – http://www.cpbo.org/
- Earthjustice – http://earthjustice.org/
- EarthRights International – https://www.earthrights.org/
- Environmental Careers Organization – http://www.eco.org/
- Environmental Law Institute – https://www.eli.org/
- Foreign Policy Association Job Board – http://www.fpa.org/about/
- Global Rights – https://www.globalrights.org/
- Human Rights First – http://www.humanrightsfirst.org/
- Idealist – http://www.idealist.org/
- Institute for Justice – http://ij.org/
- International Rescue Committee – https://www.rescue.org/
- Legal Service Corporation – http://www.lsc.gov/
- National Center on Poverty Law – http://www.povertylaw.org/
- National Legal Aid & Defender Association – http://www.nlada.org/
• Non-Profit Job Opportunities – https://www.workforgood.org/
• Non-Profit Job Source – http://www.nonprofitjobsource.com/
• Open Society Foundations – https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/
• Partnership for Public Service – https://ourpublicservice.org/
• Peace Corps – https://www.peacecorps.gov/
• PSJD – http://www.psjd.org/
• Society of American Law Teachers (SALT) – https://www.saltlaw.org/
• Society for Non-Profit Organizations – https://www.snpo.org/index.php
• SourceWatch – http://www.sourcewatch.org/index.php/SourceWatch
• Student Conservation Association – https://www.theasca.org/
• Urban Justice Center – https://www.urbanjustice.org/
• Watson, Bennett, Colligan, Johnson & Schechter (Forestry) – http://forestrylaw.com/
• Volunteer Match – http://www.volunteermatch.org/
• Young Nonprofit Professionals Network – http://www.ynpn.org/

Sports Law:
• Sports Lawyers Association – https://www.sportslaw.org/
• NCBA, Entertainment and Sports Law – https://www.ncbar.org/members/sections/sports-entertainment-law

Trial Advocacy:
• American Association for Justice – https://www.justice.org/
• Legal Information Institute – https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/trial_practice
• Litigators Internet Resource Guide – http://www.llrx.com/
• National Institute for Trial Advocacy – http://www.nita.org/
• Practicing Law Institute – http://www.pli.edu/
• NC Advocates for Justice – https://www.ncaj.com/

Transportation:
• National Transportation Safety Board – https://www.ntsbi.gov/pages/default.aspx

BUSINESS PUBLICATIONS:
• Triangle Business Journal – http://www.bizjournals.com/triangle
• Business North Carolina – http://businessnc.com/
• Roll Call – http://www.rollcall.com/ (newspaper of Capitol Hill)
• Washington Post –
RESOURCES ON DIVERSITY:

- American Bar Association’s Commission on Opportunities for Minorities in the Profession – http://www.americanbar.org/groups/young_lawyers/committees/minorities.html
- Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute – http://chci.org/
- Minority Corporate Counsel Association – http://www.mcca.com/
- National Black Law Students Association – http://nblsa.org/
- National Bar Association – https://www.nationalbar.org/

RESOURCES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES:

- ABA Commission on Disability Rights – http://www.americanbar.org/groups/disabilityrights.html
- Disability Rights Advocates – http://dralegal.org/
- Disability Rights North Carolina – http://www.disabilityrightsnc.org/

SALARY SURVEY AND RESOURCES:

- Salary.com – http://salary.com/

STATE BAR ADMISSIONS/BAR EXAMS:

- NC Board of Law Examiners – https://ncble.org/
- Barbri – http://www.barbri.com/
- Kaplan – https://kaplan.com/
- Themis – https://www.themisbar.com/

RELOCATION RESOURCES:

- Cityrating.com – http://www.cityrating.com/
- NYU Summer Housing Resource – http://www.nyu.edu/summer/housing/
- Sublet Swap – https://www.sublet.com/
STRESS MANAGEMENT:


NORTH CAROLINA – General:

- **Legal Aid of North Carolina** [http://www.legalaidnc.org/](http://www.legalaidnc.org/)
- **NC Advocates for Justice** [https://www.ncaj.com/](https://www.ncaj.com/)
- **NC Bar Association** [http://www.ncbar.org/](http://www.ncbar.org/)
- **The Center for Death Penalty Litigation** [https://cdpl.org/](https://cdpl.org/)
- **NC Court System Home** [http://www.nccourts.org/](http://www.nccourts.org/)
- **NC General Assembly** [http://www.ncleg.net/](http://www.ncleg.net/)
- **NC Leaf** [http://ncleaf.org/](http://ncleaf.org/)
- **NC Prisoner Legal Services, Inc.** [https://www.ncpls.org/](https://www.ncpls.org/)
- **NC State Bar** [https://www.ncbar.gov/](https://www.ncbar.gov/)
- **NC Board of Law Examiners** [https://ncble.org/](https://ncble.org/)
- **NC Conference of District Attorneys** [http://www.ncdistrictattorney.org/](http://www.ncdistrictattorney.org/)
- **North Carolina Center on Actual Innocence** [http://www.nccai.org/](http://www.nccai.org/)

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT RESOURCES:

- EmplawyerNet – [https://www.emplawyernet.com/](https://www.emplawyernet.com/)