

Job Searching in Phoenix

First, you should join a bar association in Arizona to obtain access to community information and events. You will find a wealth of information and networking opportunities. Some bar associations hold professional development programming and social events, offer mentoring programs, and provide job search assistance. Join! It is a great way to get involved and meet attorneys in the local legal community.

Selected Bar Associations:

State Bar of Arizona	www.azbar.org
Maricopa County Bar Association	www.maricopabar.org
Los Abogados Bar Association	www.losabogados.org
Arizona Women Lawyers Assoc.	www.awla-maricopa.org

Second, between December and July, we can get you **Reciprocity** with a participating law school in Arizona to visit their career services office and look at their job postings. To find out the reciprocity policy of a particular law school, visit: www.nalp.org (click on “Resource Center” and “Toolkit for Career Services”). Reciprocity is usually available for only 3 months. If you are planning to study for the bar in Arizona, let the CDO know and we can initiate a reciprocity request for you.

Third, visit the **Intercollegiate Job Bank**, an online database maintained by Brigham Young University Law School. The Intercollegiate Job Bank contains job postings from a large number of law schools throughout the country, including two law schools in Arizona. The site is updated monthly. To access the site, visit the CDO website at: www.law.miami/cdo (click on “Current Students” and “Online Job Posting Database”). The site is password protected. Please contact the CDO for the username and password.

Fourth, job postings are listed on various websites including city, county, and state official web pages.

Selected Websites:

www.arizona.gov
www.phoenix.gov
www.job-hunt.org/jobs/arizona.shtml
www.azbar.legalstaff.com

Fifth, local newspapers contain job ads and can give you a feel for the current business environment.

Selected Newspapers:

Arizona Capitol Times	www.azcapitoltimes.com
Phoenix New Times	www.phoenixnewtimes.com
The Business Journal of Phoenix	www.bizjournals.com/phoenix
Arizona Business Gazette	www.azcentral.com

Starting Salaries in Arizona*:

Firms of 2-10 Lawyers: Median: \$65,000 Mean: \$65,115	Firms of 11-25 Lawyers: Median: \$72,000 Mean: \$73,308	Firms of 26-50 Lawyers: Median: \$79,000 Mean: \$87,363	Firms of 51-100 Lawyers: Median: \$105,000 Mean: \$101,000	Government Positions: Median: \$56,950 Mean: \$56,237
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Number of Firms in Phoenix:**

216 Firms with 2-9 Lawyers
36 Firms with 10-24 Lawyers
16 Firms with 25-49 Lawyers
13 Firms with 50-99 Lawyers

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