



## ***FINDING A JOB: Public Interest Law***

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This research guide lists resources to help you find a job in public interest law. Other job search guides are available through the Library's Subject Guides at <http://www.law.du.edu/index.php/library/research/subject-guides/employment-subject-guide>.

### **Public Interest Lawyering**

ABA Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service, "The Path to Pro Bono: An Interviewing Tool for Law Students"  
<http://www.abanet.org/legalservices/downloads/probono/path.pdf>

Bryant, Theresa, et al., A Joint Project of Harvard Law School and Yale Law School. International Public Interest Law: A Guide to Opportunities in the United States and Abroad. 4<sup>th</sup> ed. New Haven, CT: Yale Law School, 2002. **Level 1 K 118.P82 P83**

DeBroff, Stacy M. The Great Firm Escape: Harvard Law School's Guide to Breaking Out of Private Practice and into Public Service. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Law School. Office of Public Interest Advisory, 2000. **Level 3 KF 299.P8 G74**

Morrison, Alan B and Diane T. Chin. Beyond the Big Firm: Profiles of Lawyers Who Want Something More. New York: Aspen Publishers, 2007. **Level 3 KF299.P8 M67**

Scheingold, Stuart A. and Austin Sarat. Something to Believe In: Politics, Professionalism, and Cause Lawyering. Stanford, CA: Stanford Law and Politics, 2004. **Level 3 KF 299.P8 S334**

Serving the Public: A Job Search Guide. Volume II – International: A Handbook and Directory for Law Students and Lawyers Seeking International Public Service Work. Cambridge, MA: A Joint Project of Harvard Law School's Bernard Koteen Office of Public Interest Advising and Yale Law School's Career Development Office, 2004. **Level 1 Reference K 118 .P82 P83**

### **Directories**

The Directory of Legal Aid & Defender Offices in the United States and Territories. Washington, D.C.: National Legal Aid & Defender Association, 2007-2008. **Level 3 Reference KF 336.A332**

Guidestar – Lexis database (GDSTAR): Use to find out more about a nonprofit's mission, finances and programs. Limited availability of information free with registration at <http://www.guidestar.org>

## **Public Interest Job Sites on the Internet**

Idealist.org <http://www.idealist.org/if/as/Job>

National Conference of State Legislatures – NCSL Jobs Clearinghouse for State Legislatures and Public Policy <http://www.ncsl.org/public/joblegis.htm>

National Legal Aid & Defender Association – Job Opportunities  
<http://www.nlada.org/Jobs/>

Nonprofit Career Network Includes a Directory of Nonprofit Organizations as well as posted jobs <http://www.nonprofitcareer.com>

Opportunity Knocks - national nonprofit job site that posts openings & provides resources for people interested in nonprofits <http://www.opportunityknocks.org/>

PSLawNet – the Online Resource for People Interested in Public Service Legal Careers  
Links to variety of public service articles and sites; job search tips; fellowship listings; and employment search center with free registration.  
<http://www.pslawnet.org/>

Public Service Careers: from the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA).  
Not specific to law, includes jobs in higher education, research or policy analyst for organizations, etc. <http://www.publicservicecareers.org>

## **Resources at University of Denver**

University of Denver - Career Center

Organizes campus-wide non-profit & government career fairs; online software that helps you create resumes and practice interview skills; services free to students or recent graduates. <http://www.du.edu/studentlife/career/>

University of Denver Sturm College of Law - Career Development Center

Offers assistance & presentations on general legal job search strategies as well as public interest lawyering. Online job search database for students and alumni and many password protected resources under “Online Career Resources > Public Interest” <https://www.law.du.edu/index.php/career-development-center>

University of Denver Sturm College of Law – Loan Repayment Assistance Program  
<http://www.law.du.edu/index.php/financial-aid/loan-repayment-assistance-program>

University of Denver Sturm College of Law - Public Interest Law Group (PILG)

Student group that sponsors speakers and activities. Holds PILG auction to raise money for annual summer clerkships.

<http://law.du.edu/documents/studentorgs/pilg-clerkship-application.pdf>

University of Denver Sturm College of Law - Public Interest Office.  
Information about the DU public service requirement as well as resources for  
summer & post-graduate internships or fellowships  
<http://www.law.du.edu/index.php/public-interest-office>  
<http://law.du.edu/images/uploads/fellowshipInfo.pdf>

### **Public Interest Law Journals**

Boston University Public Interest Law Journal. Boston: Boston University School of  
Law, 1991-current **Level 1 K 2 .O71 also on HeinOnline**  
<http://www.law.du.edu/forms/library/databaserd.cfm>

Buffalo Public Interest Law Journal: In the Public Interest. Buffalo: University at Buffalo  
School of Law, State University of New York, 1999-current **Level 1 K 9 .U331**  
**also on HeinOnline** <http://www.law.du.edu/forms/library/databaserd.cfm>

Clearinghouse Review: Journal of Poverty Law and Policy. Chicago: Sargent Shriver  
National Clearinghouse for Legal Services, 1968-current. **Level 1 K 3 .L38 and**  
<http://www.povertylaw.org/clearinghouse-review>

Public Interest Law Reporter (PILR). Chicago: School of Law, Loyola University, 1995-  
current **Level 3 KF 390.5 .P78 A137**

The Public Lawyer: No Higher Calling. Washington, D.C.: Government and Public  
Sector Lawyers Division American Bar Association, 1993-current  
**Level 1 K16 .U275**