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#### **Dear Friends of Wisnik,**

We wanted to share the current findings from the 2018 Wisnik Law Firm Marketing/BD Survey with you. This is our 11<sup>th</sup> BD/Marketing survey since 2006. The following information is based on a survey sent to all levels of legal Marketing and BD professionals at top law firms across the nation in July 2018. The results that follow were generated from 377 responses. Thank you to all of those who participated!

Our goal in sharing this information with you is to offer benchmarks for where you, your staff, and your department fall as compared to your peers. We believe that these salary and bonus numbers reflect the current market accurately. By this, I mean that if a firm were to call tomorrow and ask us what they needed to pay a BD manager, we would confidently quote them the numbers in this report. We have found that the new jobs we have received since January fall into these ranges.

We hope that you find the enclosed information valuable. Your responses to this Wisnik Law Firm Marketing/BD Survey help us to capture and confirm market trends. As for the market, we have definitely seen a continued increase in new law firm Marketing/BD positions throughout the year and are hopeful that new opportunities will continue to grow. Please let us know if there is any way we can help you achieve your goals.

All the best,

**Eva Wisnik** 



### **Biography**



Eva Wisnik

President
Wisnik Career Enterprises, Inc.

Eva Wisnik founded Wisnik Career Enterprises, Inc. in 1996 after serving as Director of Recruitment and Training for Schulte Roth & Zabel and Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft. Over the past 22 years, she has worked with over 100 law firms, including 86 of the AmLaw 100. Eva has placed over 800 Marketing and BD professionals into law firms nationwide, and has conducted over 625 training programs for attorneys on topics that include Business Development Skills, Time Management and Myers Briggs. In addition, Wisnik Career Enterprises, Inc. has conducted over 50 salary surveys for law firm professionals since 1998.

Eva holds an MBA in Marketing from Fordham University and a BA in Psychology from Barnard College.



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### Participant Response Breakdown

Total of 377 marketing professionals' salary and industry information by:



Chief: 43

Director: 71

Senior Manager: 41

Manager: 151

 Specialist/Analyst/ Sr. Coordinator: 47

Coordinator: 21

Assistant: 3



### Chicago: 35

• DC: 55

NY/NJ: 179

Bay Area: 23

\*Regional: 85
(\*Atlanta, Boston, Denver,
Detroit, LA Area, Philadelphia,
St. Louis, Texas)



1-250: 61

251-500: 55

• 501-750: 44

• 751-1,000: 76

1,001+: 128



## All Respondents: Summary of Interesting Survey Results

**6.2 years** CMO average tenure

**5.2 years** Director average tenure

**97.3%** Received either a bonus, raise or both last year

Joined Marketing/BD in the last 2 years

66.3% Have been in Marketing/BD for more than 8 years

33.7%

promoted with a title change in the last 2 years

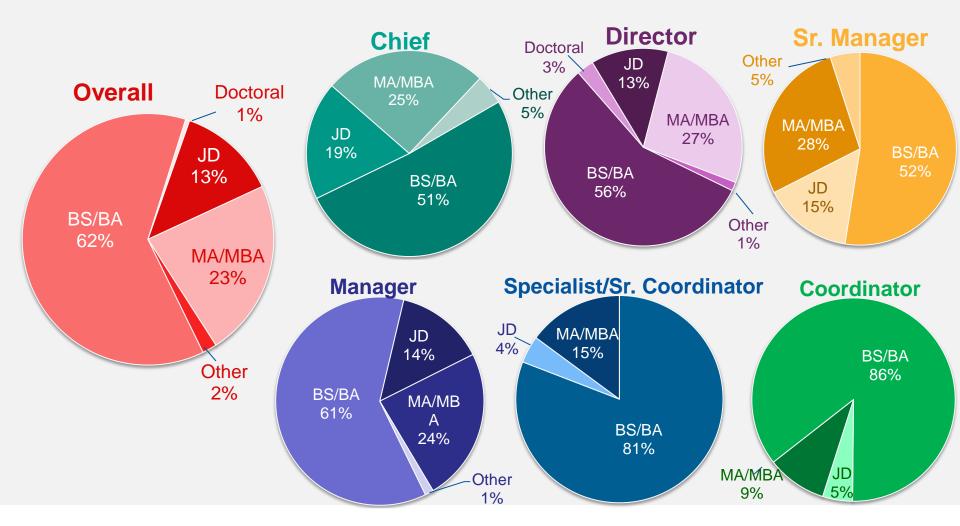


# Profile of Marketing/BD Professional



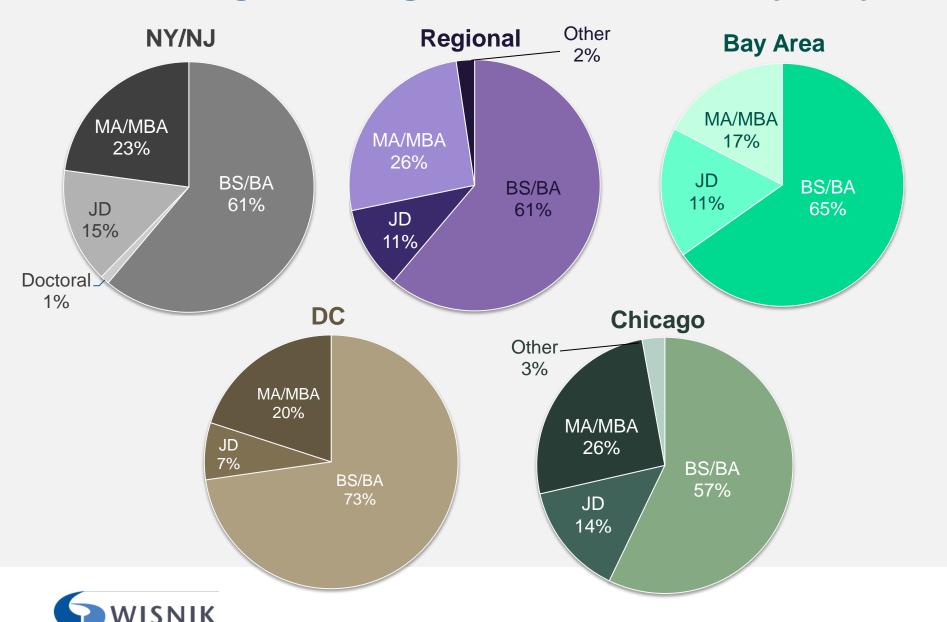


### 2018 Highest Degree of Education by Job Title



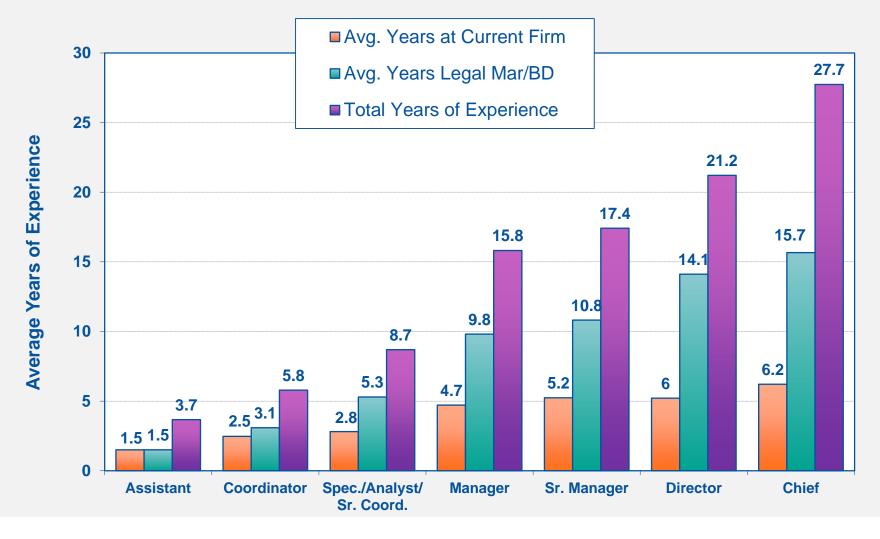


## 2018 Highest Degree of Education by City



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# Law Firm Marketing / BD Professionals: Years of Experience





## Wisnik Salary Findings





## All Respondents: 2018 Average Salaries, By Title

Title (# responses with salary data)	Average Salary	Median	25 - 75% Range	Average Bonus	Average Raise
Chief (43):	\$366,023	\$340,000	\$242k - \$440k	\$61,973	5.7%
Director (71):	\$218,224	\$210,000	\$178.5k - \$260k	\$26,992	5.1%
Sr. Manager (41):	\$169,483	\$167,250	\$150k - \$190k	\$12,028	6.2%
Manager (150):	\$138,885	\$136,750	\$120k - \$155k	\$9,463	5.4%
Specialist/Analyst Sr. Coord. (47):	\$87,862	\$88,280	\$77k - \$95k	\$4,744	5.6%
Coordinator (20):	\$59,260	\$57,000	\$51.5k - \$70k	\$3,027	4.3%
Assistant (3):	\$48,333	\$49,000	\$47.5k - \$49.5k	\$1,991	3.6%

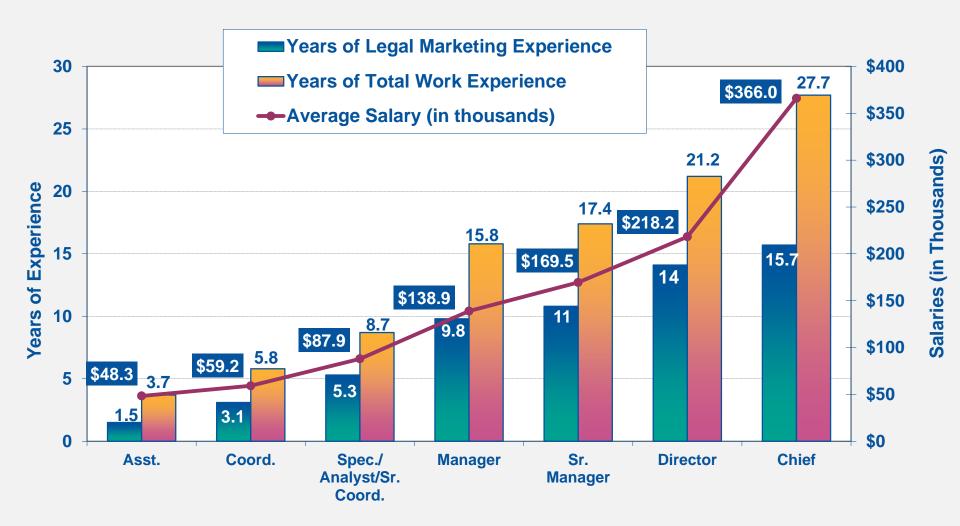


# Average Salaries by City: NY/NJ, DC, Bay Area, Chicago, Regional

Title (# responses with salary data)	NY/NJ	DC	Bay Area	Chicago	Regional
Chief (43):	\$403,000	\$451,429	\$362,500	\$374,400	\$281,214
Director (71):	\$246,940	\$213,000	\$242,300	\$182,850	\$174,250
Sr. Manager (41):	\$183,373	\$163,943	\$165,000	\$156,667	\$141,500
Manager (150):	\$147,804	\$137,796	\$148,750	\$135,967	\$118,282
Specialist/Analyst Sr. Coord. (47):	\$90,434	\$87,754	\$86.000	\$80,930	\$80,400
Coordinator (20):	\$70,643	\$47,000	\$56,500	\$60,250	\$47,950
Assistant (3):	\$49,500	\$46,000	-	-	-

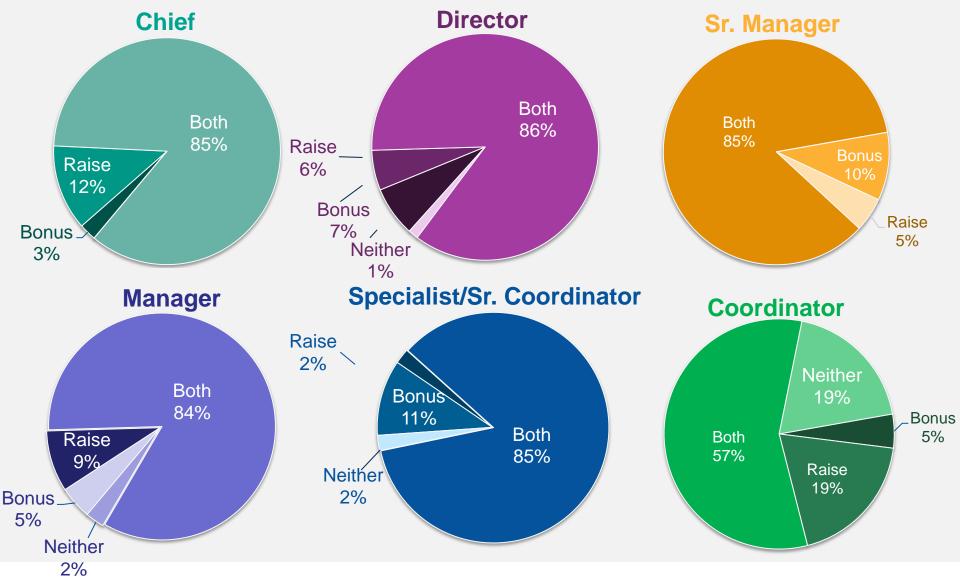


### Average Salary vs. Average Years of Experience



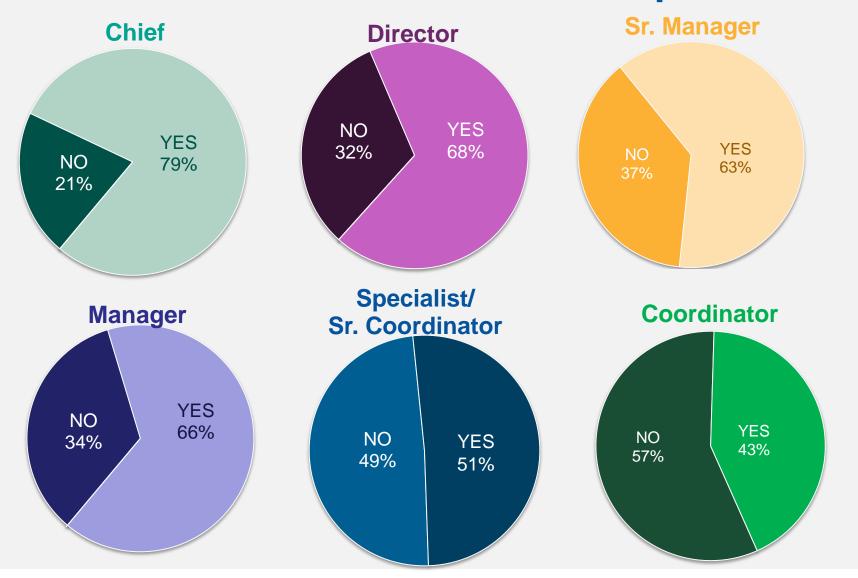


### Did You Get a Bonus or a Raise?



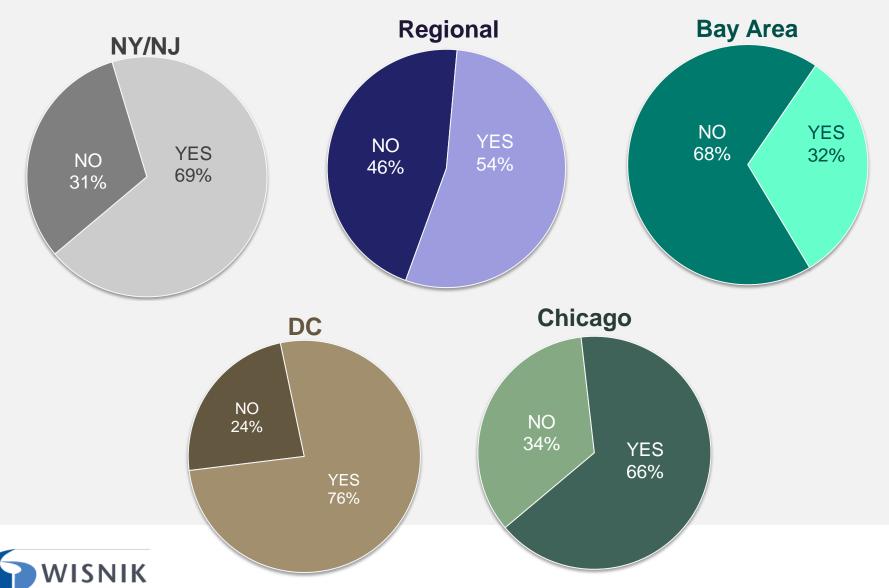


## **Are You Satisfied with Your Compensation?**



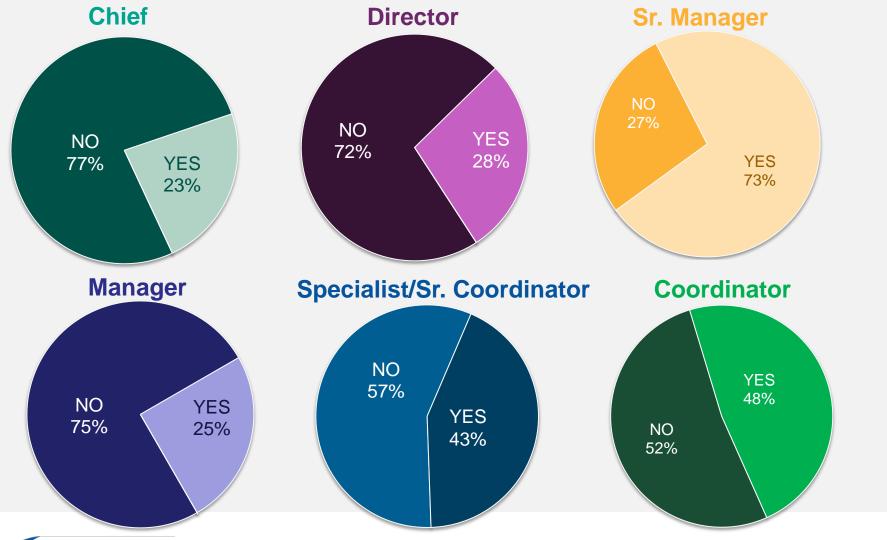


## By City: Are You Satisfied with Your Compensation?



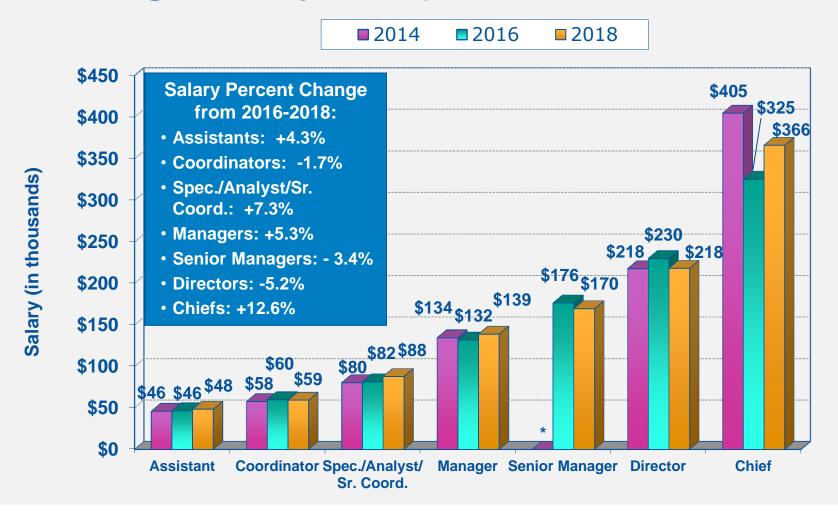
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## In the Past 2 Years, Have You Had a Promotion with a Title Change?





## Mar/BD Professionals (NY, DC, Chicago): Average Salary Comparisons, 2014 - 2018



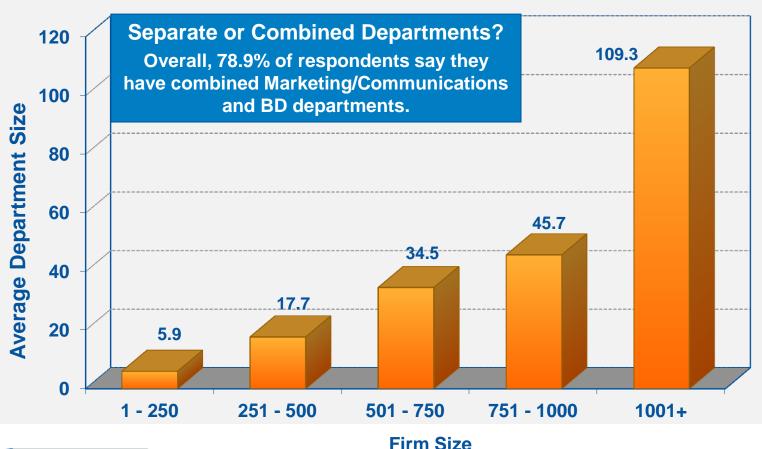


## **Industry Findings: Firm Structure & Staffing**



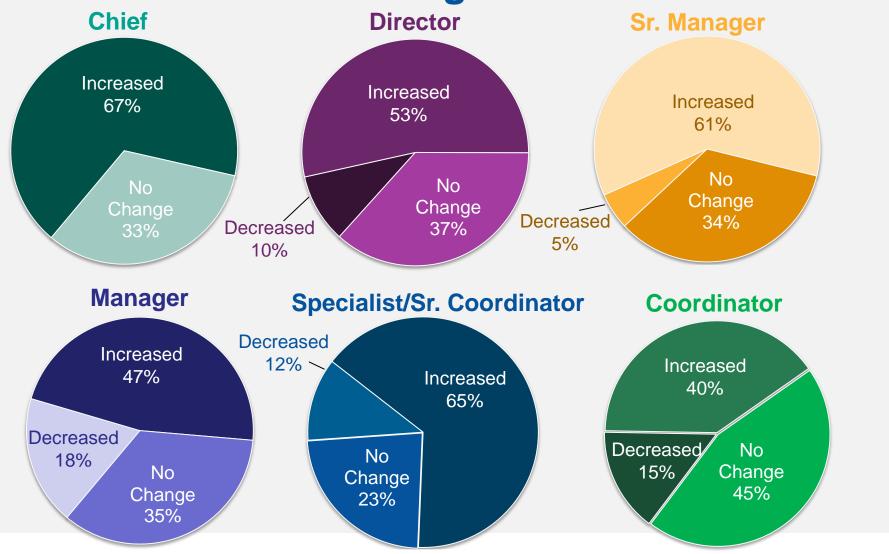


## Size of Firm vs. Size of Marketing Department



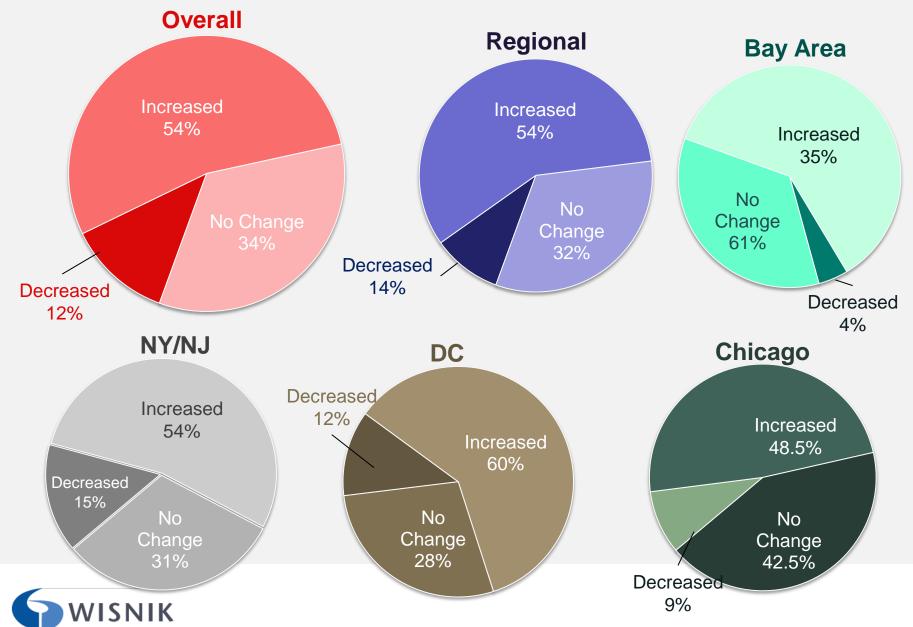


In the Past 2 Years, Has Your Department Size Changed?



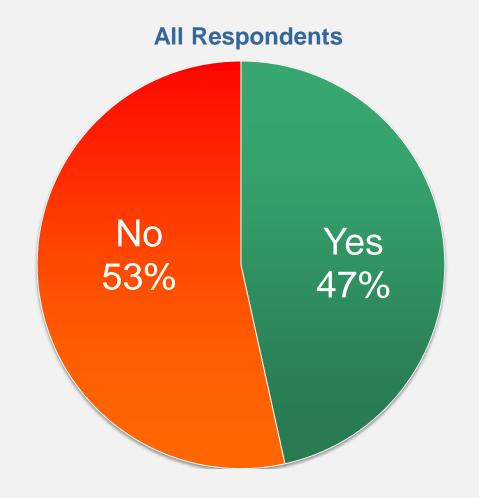


## **Department Size Changes: City Comparison**



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## Do You Think Your Department is Adequately Staffed?



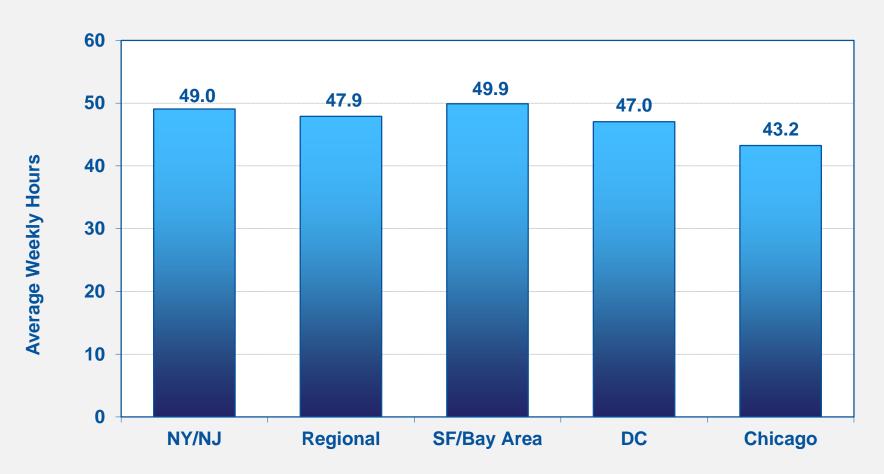


## Average Hours Worked Per Week, Since Jan. 1, 2018: By Title



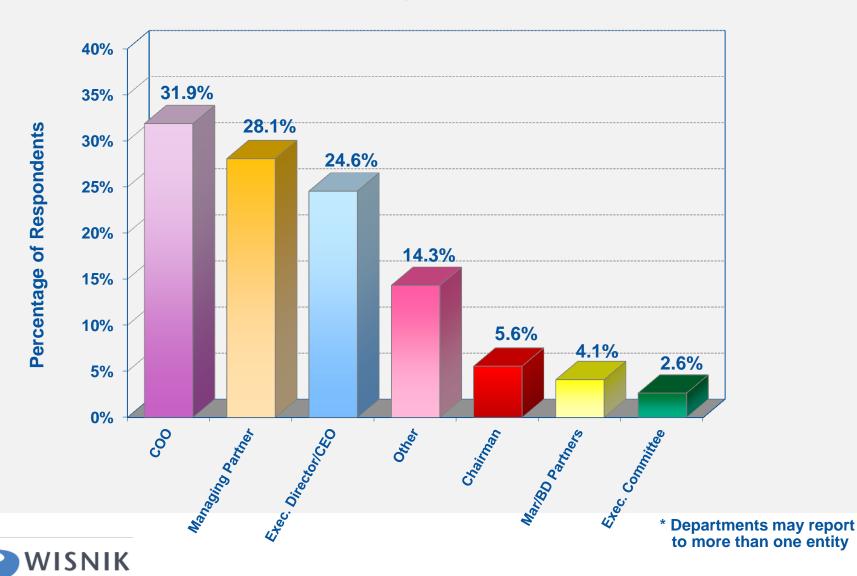


## Average Hours Worked Per Week, Since January 1, 2018: By City





## Who Does Marketing/BD Department Report To?



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## Salary Breakdown by Position and Firm Size





#### All Chiefs = 43

Avg. Salary = \$366,023 Median Salary = \$340,000

Avg. Bonus: \$61,973

Avg. Raise: 5.7%

Avg. Years of Legal Mar/BD Experience: 15.7 Avg. Tenure at Current Firm: 6.2 years

Firm Size: 751-1000 1001+ 1-250 **251-500** 501-750 \$232,385 **Average Salary:** \$325,625 \$454,125 \$390,000 \$578,000 Median: \$225,000 \$335,000 \$460,000 \$400,000 \$700,000 \$65,625 \$68,347 **Average Bonus:** \$21,669 \$52,571 \$110,000 **Average Raise:** 4.6% 4.2% 5.6% 10.0% 3.8%



#### All Directors = 71

Avg. Salary = \$218,224 Median Salary = \$210,000

Avg. Bonus: \$26,992 Avg. Raise: 5.1%

Avg. Years of Legal Mar/BD Experience: 14.1

Avg. Tenure at Current Firm: 5.2 years

Firm Size:	<u>1-250</u>	<u>251-500</u>	<u>501-750</u>	<u>751-1000</u>	<u>1001+</u>
Average Salary:	\$196,424	\$245,556	\$233,667	\$198,781	\$240,869
Median:	\$190,000	\$142,000	\$210,000	\$202,500	\$250,000
Average Bonus:	\$24,647	\$16,625	\$26,833	\$32,792	\$69,474
Average Raise:	3.5%	4.7%	5.9%	3.6%	7.6%



### All Senior Managers = 41

Avg. Bonus: \$12,028 Avg. Raise: 6.2%

Avg. Years of Legal Mar/BD Experience: 10.8

Avg. Tenure at Current Firm: 5.2 years

Firm Size:	<u>251-500</u>	<u>501-750</u>	<u>751-1000</u>	<u>1001+</u>
Average Salary:	\$151,920	\$173,857	\$174,578	\$175,938
Median:	\$142,000	\$170,000	\$190,000	\$167,500
Average Bonus:	\$5,000	\$9,286	\$11,500	\$15,714
Average Raise:	12.1%	4.0%	6.5%	5.5%



### All Managers = 150

Avg. Salary = \$138,885 Median Salary = \$136,750

Avg. Bonus: \$9,463 Avg. Raise: 5.4%

Avg. Years of Legal Mar/BD Experience: 9.8

Avg. Tenure at Current Firm: 4.7 years

Firm Size:	<u>1-250</u>	<u>251-500</u>	<u>501-750</u>	<u>751-1000</u>	<u>1001+</u>
Average Salary:	\$121,673	\$125,952	\$144,431	\$147,317	\$140,204
Median:	\$128,000	\$125,000	\$147,500	\$147,500	\$140,000
Average Bonus:	\$7,750	\$8,229	\$8,887	\$10,661	\$9,388
Average Raise:	7.6%	5.8%	4.7%	6.4%	4.5%



All Specialists/Analysts/Sr. Coord. = 47

Avg. Bonus: \$4,744 Avg. Raise: 5.6%

Avg. Years of Legal Mar/BD Experience: 5.3
Avg. Tenure at Current Firm: 2.8 years

Firm Size:	<u>251-500</u>	<u>501-750</u>	<u>751-1000</u>	<u>1001+</u>
Average Salary:	\$85,400	\$92,917	\$91,328	\$84,612
Median:	\$86,000	\$91,750	\$95,000	\$81,000
Average Bonus:	\$4,250	\$3,167	\$6,206	\$4,234
Average Raise:	6.4%	7.5%	4.5%	4.9%



#### **All Coordinators= 20**

Avg. Salary = \$59,260 Median Salary = \$57,000

Avg. Bonus: \$3,027 Avg. Raise: 4.3%

Avg. Years of Legal Mar/BD Experience: 3.1
Avg. Tenure at Current Firm: 2.5 years

Firm Size:	<u>1-250</u>	<u>251-500</u>	<u>1001+</u>
Average Salary:	\$54,760	\$52,280	\$63,143
Median:	\$57,000	\$51,700	\$57,000
Average Bonus:	\$2,475	\$2,625	\$3,703
Average Raise:	7.0%	3.4%	3.5%



## Responsibilities of a Marketing/BD Professional

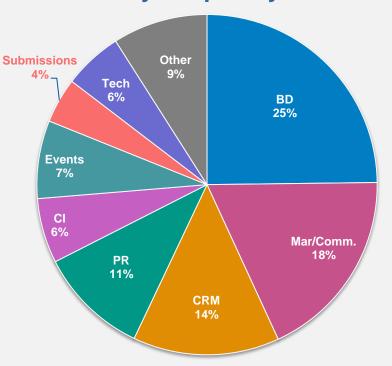




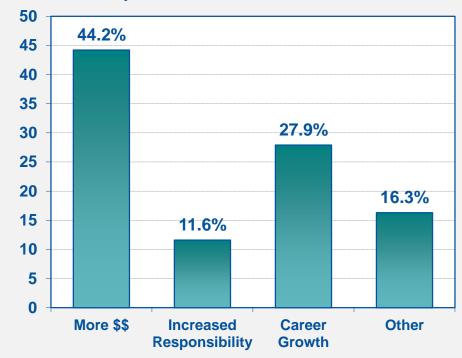
### **Chiefs: Responsibilities and the Future**

93.0% say they plan to be in legal Marketing/BD in two years

#### Where do you spend your time?



#### An important career driver for me is:



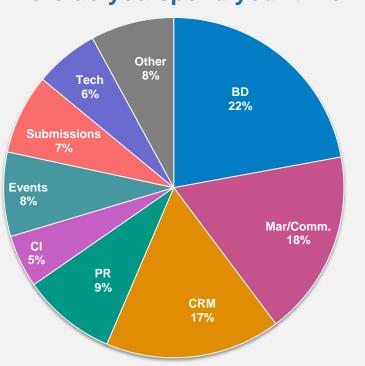


Percentage (%) of Chiefs

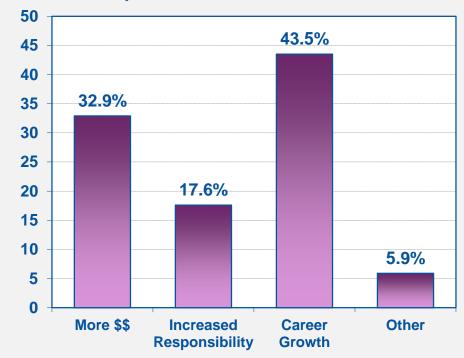
### Directors: Responsibilities and the Future

92.8% say they plan to be in legal Marketing/BD in two years

#### Where do you spend your time?



#### An important career driver for me is:



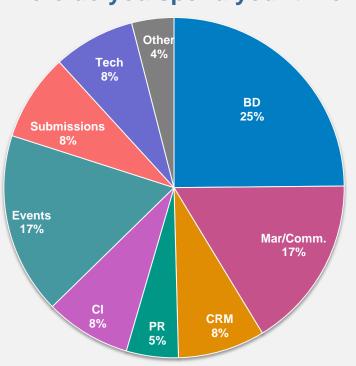


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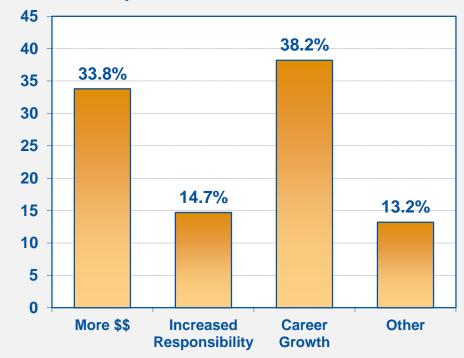
## Sr. Managers: Responsibilities and the Future

92.5% say they plan to be in legal Marketing/BD in two years

#### Where do you spend your time?



#### An important career driver for me is:



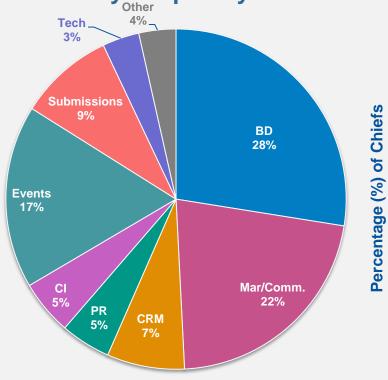


Percentage (%) of Chiefs

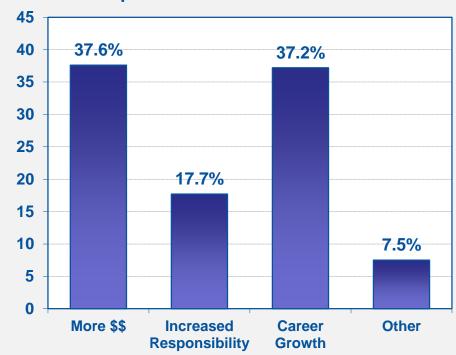
### Managers: Responsibilities and the Future

83.9% say they plan to be in legal Marketing/BD in two years

### Where do you spend your time?



#### An important career driver for me is:

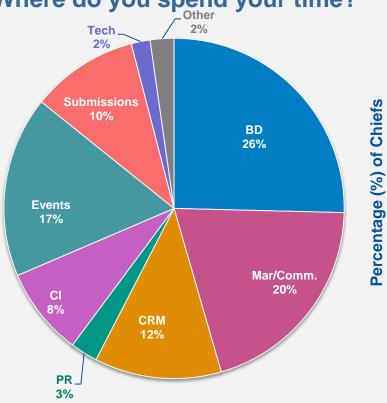




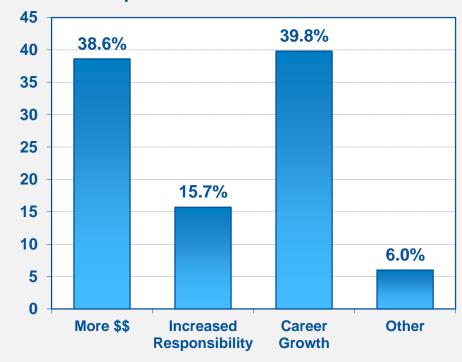
### Specialists/Sr. Coord: Responsibilities and the Future

83.0% say they plan to be in legal Marketing/BD in two years

Where do you spend your time?



#### An important career driver for me is:

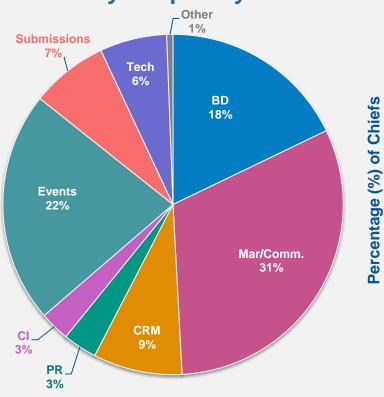




## Coordinators: Responsibilities and the Future

57.1% say they plan to be in legal Marketing/BD in two years

#### Where do you spend your time?



#### An important career driver for me is:

