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## Dear Friends of Wisnik,

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 wanted to share the current findings from the 2023 Wisnik CALPA Industry Survey with you. The following information is based on a survey sent to all levels of legal Recruiting and PD professionals at top law firms in Chicago in February 2023. The results that follow were generated from 66 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 Recruiting manager, we would confidently quote them the numbers in this report. We have found that the new jobs we have received fall into these ranges.

We hope that you find the enclosed information valuable. 2022 was a very good year for the law firm Recruiting/PD profession. New roles were created, almost half of survey respondents reported getting promoted, and we saw significant increases in compensation. As for 2023, it is difficult to predict if these positive market trends will continue throughout the year, and I am concerned we will see a leveling off of new roles. However, having experienced eight recessions since the beginning of my career in 1989, I firmly believe that law firms will continue to need Recruiting/PD professionals to help hire, develop and retain legal talent.

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 27 years, she has worked with over 120 law firms, including 86 of the AmLaw 100. Eva has placed over 1000 Marketing and BD professionals into law firms nationwide, and has conducted over 800 training programs for attorneys and law firm professionals on topics that include Interviewer Training, Time Management and Myers Briggs. In addition, Wisnik Career Enterprises, Inc. has conducted over 60 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. She is the author of Your Fairy Job Mother's Secrets for Success and is a certified Health Coach.

## Participant Response Breakdown

Total of 66 Recruiting and PD professionals' salary and industry information by:


- Director: 12
- Sr. Manager: 3
- Manager: 20
- Specialist/Sr. Coordinator: 11
- Coordinator: 12
- Assistant: 8



## Firm Size

- 1-250: 8
- 251-500: 12
- 501-750: 7
- 751-1000: 7
- 1001-1300: 13
- $1301+: 18$



## Office Size

- 1-75: 8
- 76-125: 16
- 126-175: 15
- 176-225: 10
- 226-300:12
- 301-400: 0
- 401-500: 4
- 501-700: 1

Profile of

## CALPA Professionals



## Highest Degree of Education by Job Title



## Is Your Position Firm-Wide, Regional or Local?



## Salary Trends



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## All Respondents: Average Salaries, By Title

| Title (\# responses with salary data) | Average Salary | Median | 25 - 75\% Range |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (12): | $\$ 232,182$ | $\$ 225,000$ | $\$ 200 \mathrm{~K}-\$ 240 \mathrm{~K}$ |
| Sr. Manager (3): | $\$ 183,667$ | $\$ 185,000$ | $*$ |
| Manager (20): | $\$ 131,640$ | $\$ 132,500$ | $\$ 125 \mathrm{~K}-\$ 140 \mathrm{~K}$ |
| Specialist/ <br> Sr. Coordinator (11): | $\$ 88,623$ | $\$ 90,000$ | $\$ 84 \mathrm{~K}-\$ 95 \mathrm{~K}$ |
| Coordinator (12): | $\$ 74,617$ | $\$ 74,000$ | $\$ 70 \mathrm{~K}-\$ 82 \mathrm{~K}$ |
| Assistant (6): | $\$ 56,659$ | $\$ 56,126$ | $\$ 51.7 \mathrm{~K}-\$ 58 \mathrm{~K}$ |

Changes in average salaries since 2021 survey:
Director: 16.9\% increase
Sr. Manager: 33\% increase
Manager: 6.9\% increase
Specialist/Sr. Coordinator: 7.4\% increase
Coordinator: 17.7\% increase
Assistant: 11.1\% increase

## Law Firm Recruiters' Average Salaries by City

| Title (\# <br> responses <br> with salary <br> data) | Chicago <br> 2023 | New York <br> 2022 | Houston/ <br> Dallas <br> 2022 | Bay Area <br> 2021 | DC <br> 2021 | Philly <br> 2021 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (76) | $\$ 232,182$ | $\$ 274,151$ | $\$ 199,458$ | insufficient <br> data | $\$ 195,250$ | $\$ 160,200$ |
| Sr. Manager <br> (47): | $\$ 183,667$ | $\$ 198,705$ | $\$ 154,650$ | $\$ 166,286$ | $\$ 150,956$ | insufficient <br> data |
| Manager <br> (155): | $\$ 131,640$ | $\$ 145,279$ | $\$ 118,670$ | $\$ 143,336$ | $\$ 125,218$ | $\$ 115,884$ |
| Specialist/Sr <br> Coord. (72): | $\$ 88,623$ | $\$ 101,574$ | $\$ 89,286$ | $\$ 99,869$ | $\$ 79,200$ | $\$ 76,825$ |
| Coordinator <br> (102): | $\$ 74,617$ | $\$ 78,000$ | $\$ 71,600$ | $\$ 75,794$ | $\$ 67,617$ | $\$ 61,650$ |
| Assistant | $\$ 56,659$ | $\$ 56,465$ | $\$ 54,455$ | $\$ 57,250$ | $\$ 61,981$ | $\$ 52,000$ |

## All Respondents: Average Bonus \& Raise (2022 vs. 2021), By Title

| Title (\# responses <br> with salary data) | Average <br> Bonus ('22) | Average <br> Bonus ('21) | Average <br> Raise ('22) | Average <br> Raise ('21) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (11): | $\$ 44,090$ | $\$ 31,900$ | $8.5 \%$ | $5.4 \%$ |
| Sr. Manager: | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Manager (16): | $\$ 9,514$ | $\$ 10,433$ | $6.2 \%$ | $5.4 \%$ |
| Specialist/ <br> Sr. Coordinator (7): | $\$ 5,071$ | $\$ 5,625$ | $8.5 \%$ | $9.3 \%$ |
| Coordinator (7): | $\$ 7,957$ | $\$ 3,583$ | $6.6 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ |
| Assistant (3): | $\$ 1,090$ | $*$ | $4.0 \%$ | $*$ |

## Salary Trends: 2016-2023


*insufficient data for Sr. Managers

## Average Salary vs. Average Years of Experience



## Industry Findings



## Do You Believe You Are Fairly Compensated?



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



## Did You Change Firms*?

of respondents changed firms either once or twice in the past 2 years

## Of those:

50\%of respondents moved for increased salary
of respondents moved for a title change
18\%
of respondents moved for a more flexible work arrangement. Managers were the most common respondent in this category.

## Average Hours Worked Per Week in 2022, Breakdown by Season


*insufficient data for Sr. Managers

## Comparison of Average Hours Worked Per Week, 2020 vs. 2022


*insufficient data for Sr. Managers

## Did You Receive a Bonus/Raise in 2022?




## In the Past 2 Years, Has Your Dept. Size Changed?



## Chicago Office Size vs. Average Size of Chicago Recruiting Department



## Chicago Office Size vs. Size of Chicago 2L Summer Associate Class: 2022 to 2023 Comparison


*insufficient data for 301-400

## Firm Size vs. Size of Firm-wide 2023 2L Summer Associate Class: 2022 to 2023 Comparison



## What is Your Firm's Remote Work Policy?



## Summary of Interesting Survey Results

## . 70 changed firms at least once in the past two years

76\%of respondents believe they are fairly compensated

75\%of Recruiting and PD departments are separate

95\%
of respondents work a hybrid schedule. The remaining $5 \%$ were fully remote

## Well-being Practices

# Before You Help Others, Help Yourself First 



## Morning Routine

- Write Your Intentions/Goals

What work do you want to focus on completing today?
What will you do to fill your tank and show care for yourself today?

- Exercise/Movement/Time in Nature
- Make Your Bed

Set yourself up for a proactive \& positive day!


## 3 O'clock Recharge

- Take time out at 3:00 PM each day to evaluate key tasks/projects that still need to be accomplished today
- Do something that will refuel you: midday movement, fun break, connection



## Evening Rituals

- Recall 3 things that went well today
- Read something enjoyable
- Have a cup of tea



## Addendum



## Average Salary, Bonus \& Raise by Firm Size

## All Directors: 11

Avg. Salary: \$232,182
Avg. Bonus: \$44,091

Median Salary: $\$ 185,000$ Avg. Raise: 8.5\%

| Firm Size: | $\mathbf{1 - 5 0 0}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Average Salary: | $\$ 180,000$ |
| Median: | $\$ 175,000$ |
| Average Bonus: | $\$ 30,000$ |
| Average Raise: | $13.6 \%$ |

*insufficient data for firm size breakdowns for 501+

## Average Salary, Bonus \& Raise by Firm Size

All Sr. Managers: 3<br>Avg. Salary: \$183,667<br>Avg. Bonus:<br>Median Salary: \$185,000 Avg. Raise: *

*insufficient data for firm size breakdowns

## Average Salary, Bonus \& Raise by Firm Size

## All Managers: 20

Avg. Salary: \$131,640
Avg. Bonus: \$9,514

Median Salary: \$132,500 Avg. Raise: 5.7\%

| Firm Size: | $\underline{251-500}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 0 1 +}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Average Salary: | $\$ 131,938$ | $\$ 131,000$ |
| Median: | $\$ 140,000$ | $\$ 129,500$ |
| Average Bonus: | $*$ | $\$ 8,333$ |
| Average Raise: | $*$ | $8.6 \%$ |

*insufficient data for 1-250; 501-750; 751-1000; 1001-1300

## Average Salary, Bonus, Raise \& OT by Firm Size

All Specialists/Sr. Coordinators: 11<br>Avg. Salary: \$88,623 Median Salary: \$90,000<br>Avg. Bonus: \$5,071 Avg. Raise: 8.6\%<br>Avg. OT (2022): \$12,202

*insufficient data for firm size breakdowns

## Average Salary, Bonus, Raise \& OT by Firm Size

## All Coordinators: 12 <br> Avg. Salary: \$74,617 Median Salary: \$74,000 <br> Avg. Bonus: \$4,100 Avg. Raise: 6.6\% <br> Avg. OT (2022): \$8,351

Firm Size: ..... $1301+$Average Salary: $\$ 74,400$Median: \$67,250Average Bonus:Average Raise:
*insufficient data for 1-250; 251-500; 501-750; 1001-1300

## Average Salary, Bonus, Raise \& OT by Firm Size

## All Assistants: 6

Avg. Salary: \$56,659 Median Salary: \$56,126 Avg. Bonus: \$1,090 Avg. Raise: 4.0\%

Avg. OT (2020): \$4,110
*insufficient data for firm size breakdowns

## Benefits Received

- 54\% of Firms allow employees to work part-time.
- 65.0\% of Firms provide backup daycare, but 0\% of Firms have onsite daycare.
- $43 \%$ of Firms provide a mobile device to employees, while $63 \%$ offer mobile service.
- $100 \%$ of Firms provide employees with computers/laptops.
- 70\% of Firms offer transportation discounts, mileage reimbursement, or transportation stipends.
- $56 \%$ of Firms offer a Health Club membership or discount.
- $98 \%$ of Firms provide a flexible spending account.
- $98 \%$ of Firms provide a health savings account.
- $83 \%$ of employees contribute to the cost of their medical care plans.
- 100\% of Firms have a 401k program, and 63\% of Firms offer 401k matching.
- 27\% of Firms have a pension plan.
- Only 8\% of Firms offer free parking.


## Benefits Received: Average Days Paid Time Off (PTO)

PTO includes Vacation, Sick, Personal Days, and Floating Holidays

| Title (\# responses) | Average (days) | Median (days) | Range (days) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (9): | 29.25 | 30 | $22-33$ |
| Sr. Manager: | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Manager (14): | 23.3 | 22.5 | $10-40$ |
| Specialist/Sr. <br> Coordinator (8): | 23.3 | 23.5 | $15-30$ |
| Coordinator (9): | 23.4 | 25.0 | $18-30$ |
| Assistant (5): | 17.7 | 18.0 | $12-25$ |

$8.9 \%$ of respondents receive unlimited PTO, all of whom are at the Sr. Manager or Director level.

## Benefits Received: Average Days Parental Leave

| Title (\# responses) | Average <br> (days) | $\frac{\text { Median }}{(\text { days) }}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Director (7): | 85.0 | 85.0 |
| Sr. Manager (6): | $*$ | $*$ |
| Manager (17): | 74.5 | 65 |
| Specialist/Sr. <br> Coordinator (10): | $*$ | $*$ |
| Coordinator (16): | 56.5 | 61 |
| Assistant (5) | $*$ | $*$ |



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