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## Dear WALRAA Members,

We are excited to share the current findings from the 2023 Wisnik WALRAA Industry Survey with you. The results that follow were generated from 119 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 in the past year fall into these ranges.

We hope that you find the enclosed information valuable. Your responses to this Wisnik WALRAA Industry Survey help us to capture and confirm market trends. Please let us know if there is any way we can help you achieve your goals!

All the best,
Eva Wisnik

## Biography



## Eva Wisnik

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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 recruiting and marketing professionals into law firms nationwide and has conducted over 800 training programs for attorneys and law firm professionals on topics that include How to Thrive as a New Attorney, Interviewer Training, and Time Management. In addition, Wisnik Career
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## Participant Response Breakdown

Total of 101 Law Firm \& Government Agency professionals' salary and industry information by:


- Chief: 2*
- Director: 19
- Senior Manager: 10
- Manager: 37
- Specialist/Sr. Coordinator: 17
- Coordinator: 14
- Assistant: 2*

- 1-250: 8
- 251-500: 11
- 501-750: 12
- 751-1000: 14
- 1001-1300: 19
- $1301+: 35$

- 1-75: 12
- 76-125: 20
- 126-175:14
- 176-225: 10
- 226-300: 21
- 301-350: 10
- 351-400: 6
- $401+: 6$


## Participant Response Breakdown

Total of 18 Law School Career Services professionals' salary and industry information by:


- Assistant/Associate Dean: 5
- Director: 4
- Assistant/Associate Director: 4
- Career Counselor/Advisor: 2*
- Administrative Staff: 2*
- Employer Outreach Consultant: 1*

- 101-150: $0^{*}$
- 151-200: 0*
- 201-250: 0*
- 251-300: 0*
- 301-350: $1^{*}$
- 351-400: $2^{*}$
- 401-500: $1^{*}$
- $501+: 9$


## Profile of <br> WALRAA Professionals



## Highest Degree of Education by Job Title



In 2021, 14\% held a JD.

Career Services


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



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

Law Firms/Gov’t. Agencies


In 2021, 38\% had a promotion with a title change.

Career Services


In 2021, 7\% had a promotion with a title change.

## Do You Believe You Are Fairly Compensated?

Law Firms/Gov't. Agencies


Career Services


In 2021, 46\% felt they were fairly compensated.

## Salary \& Department Trends



## Average Years of Experience



## All Respondents: Average Salaries, By Title

| Title (\# responses with salary data) | Average Salary | Median | $25-75 \%$ Range |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (18): | $\$ 238,375$ | $\$ 240,000$ | $\$ 210.0 \mathrm{k}-\$ 260.5 \mathrm{k}$ |
| Sr. Manager (10): | $\$ 174,577$ | $\$ 181,437$ | $\$ 170.0 \mathrm{k}-\$ 182.9 \mathrm{k}$ |
| Manager (24): | $\$ 145,335$ | $\$ 140,000$ | $\$ 125.6 \mathrm{k}-\$ 162.0 \mathrm{k}$ |
| Specialist/Sr. Coordinator (14): | $\$ 94,737$ | $\$ 93,065$ | $\$ 83.2-\$ 102.0 \mathrm{k}$ |
| Coordinator (0): | $\$ 76,579$ | $\$ 77,175$ | $\$ 75.0-\$ 80.0 \mathrm{k}$ |

Changes in average salaries since 2021 survey:
Director: 22\% increase
Sr. Manager: $15.6 \%$ increase
Manager: 11.9\% increase
Specialist/Sr. Coordinator: $19.6 \%$ increase
Coordinator: $14.7 \%$ increase

## Average Salary vs. Average Years of Experience



## Salaries (in Thousands)

## Salary Trends: 2021-2023


*insufficient data for Assistants

## Did You Receive a Bonus/Raise?



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

| Title (\# responses with <br> salary data) | Average <br> Bonus ('22) | Average <br> Bonus ('21) | Average <br> Raise ('22) | Average <br> Raise ('21) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (12): | $\$ 23,083$ | $\$ 25,307$ | $5.5 \%$ | $5.8 \%$ |
| Sr. Manager (10): | $\$ 12,386$ | $\$ 12,326$ | $12.6 \%$ | $8.1 \%$ |
| Manager (37): | $\$ 10,349$ | $\$ 7,752$ | $6.1 \%$ | $8.6 \%$ |
| Specialist/ <br> Sr. Coordinator (8): | $\$ 3,890$ | $\$ 2,560$ | $18.3 \%$ | $3.8 \%$ |
| Coordinator (26): | $\$ 5,470$ | $\$ 2,166$ | $16.3 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ |

## Law Firm Recruiters' Average Salaries by City

| Title (\# <br> responses <br> with salary <br> data) | DC <br> 2023 | Bay Area <br> 2023 | Chicago <br> 2023 | New York <br> 2022 | Houston/ <br> Dallas <br> 2022 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director | $\$ 238,375$ | $\$ 223,200$ | $\$ 232,182$ | $\$ 274,151$ | $\$ 199,458$ |
| Sr. Manager | $\$ 174,577$ | $\$ 181,728$ | $\$ 183,667$ | $\$ 198,705$ | $\$ 154,650$ |
| Manager | $\$ 145,335$ | $\$ 157,100$ | $\$ 131,640$ | $\$ 145,279$ | $\$ 118,670$ |
| Specialist/Sr <br> Coord. | $\$ 94,737$ | $\$ 101,944$ | $\$ 88,623$ | $\$ 101,574$ | $\$ 89,286$ |
| Coordinator | $\$ 76,579$ | $\$ 79,900$ | $\$ 74,617$ | $\$ 78,000$ | $\$ 71,600$ |
| Assistant | $*$ | $*$ | $\$ 56,659$ | $\$ 56,465$ | $\$ 54,455$ |

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



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



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



## Do You Believe You Are Fairly Compensated?




Sr. Manager


Specialist/Sr. Coordinator Coordinator

Manager



## Law Firms \& Government Agencies

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



## Did You Change Firms*?

# - of respondents changed firms at least once in the past 2 years 

## Of those:

67\%of respondents moved for increased salary

57\%
of respondents moved for a title change

10\%of respondents moved for a more flexible work arrangement

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



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\text { 0\% of respondents work } \\
5 \text { days a week in the } \\
\text { office. }
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## Summary of Interesting Survey Results

36\%changed firms at least once in the past two years

57\%of respondents believe they are fairly compensated

of respondents got either a bonus, a raise, or both

## 530 have been in Recruiting/PD for 8 or more years



## Salary \& Department Trends

Law School Career Services



## Role Overview: Law School Career Services

Is your school a State or Private institution?

> Do you work Full Time or Part Time?



## Average Years of Experience



## Highest Degree of Education by Job Title



> | For those with a JD, |
| :--- |
| the average time |
| spent in practice |
| was 10.3 years. |

## All Respondents: Average Salaries, By Title

| Title (\# responses with salary data) | Average Salary | Median | $25-75 \%$ Range |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ass./Assoc. Dean (5): | $\$ 151,020$ | $\$ 143,000$ | $\$ 110.0 \mathrm{k}-\$ 150 \mathrm{k}$ |
| Director (4): | $\$ 99,225$ | $\$ 95,950$ | $\$ 95.9 \mathrm{k}-96.0 \mathrm{k}$ |
| Asst./Assoc. Director (4): | $\$ 90,333$ | $\$ 100,000$ | $\$ 70.0 \mathrm{k}-\$ 101 \mathrm{k}$ |

Changes in average salaries since 2021 survey:
Director: .3\% decrease
Asst./Assoc. Director: 6\% decrease

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



## Salary Trends: 2021-2023


*insufficient data for Asst/Assoc. Deans

## Average Salary vs. Average Years of Experience



## Is Your Office Appropriately Staffed?



## Law School Career Services

## Do You Believe You Are Fairly Compensated?

## Overall



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



## Summary of Interesting Survey Results

33\%
received a promotion with a
raise
27\%
of respondents believe they are fairly compensated

56\%
have been in Law School
Career Services for 8 or more years


## Addendum



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

## All Directors: 18

Avg. Salary: $\$ 238,375$
Avg. Bonus: $\$ 23,083$
Median Salary: \$240,000
Avg. Raise: 5.5\%

| Firm Size: | $751-1000$ | $1300+$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Average Salary: | $\$ 268,250$ | $\$ 243,333$ |
| Median: | $\$ 266,150$ | $\$ 240,000$ |
| Average Bonus: | $\$ 33,666$ | $\$ 15,500$ |
| Average Raise: | $3.4 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ |

*insufficient data for all Firm Sizes

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

## All Sr. Managers: 8

## Avg. Salary: \$174,578 <br> Avg. Bonus: \$10,850 <br> $$
\text { Median Salary: } \$ 181,438
$$ <br> <br> Median Salary: \$181,438 <br> <br> Median Salary: \$181,438 <br> Avg. Raise: 5.5\%

| Firm Size: | $\underline{1301+}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Average Salary: | $\$ 172,225$ |
| Median: | $\$ 179,000$ |
| Average Bonus: | $\$ 11,625$ |
| Average Raise: | $11 \%$ |

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

## All Managers: 24

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\text { Avg. Salary: } \$ 145,335 & \text { Median Salary: } \$ 140,000 \\
\text { Avg. Bonus: } \$ 10,350 & \text { Avg. Raise: } 6.1 \%
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| Firm Size: | $\underline{\mathbf{2 5 1 - 5 0 0}}$ | $\underline{501-750}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 1 - 1 3 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 0 1 +}$ |
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| Average Salary: | $\$ 147,500$ | $\$ 139,500$ | $\$ 145,837$ | $\$ 152,805$ |
| Median: | $\$ 140,000$ | $\$ 129,000$ | $\$ 135,000$ | $\$ 163,500$ |
| Average Bonus: | $\$ 6,294$ | $\$ 7,500$ | $\$ 6,500$ | $\$ 16,073$ |
| Average Raise: | $4 \%$ | $5.5 \%$ | $6.7 \%$ | $6.52 \%$ |

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

# All Specialists/Sr. Coordinators: 14 <br> Avg. Salary: \$94,738 Median Salary: \$93,065 <br> Avg. Bonus: \$3,890 Avg. Raise: 18.3\% Avg. OT: \$7,625 

| Firm Size: | $\mathbf{1 3 0 1 +}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Average Salary: | $\$ 98,355$ |
| Median: | $\$ 96,000$ |
| Average Bonus: | $\$ 4,225$ |
| Average Raise: | $16.8 \%$ |

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

All Coordinators: 12<br>Avg. Salary: \$76,579 Median Salary: \$77,175<br>Avg. Bonus: \$5,470 Avg. Raise: 16.3\%<br>Avg. OT (2022): \$18,470

| Firm Size: | $\underline{1301+}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Average Salary: | $\$ 74,000$ |
| Median: | $\$ 76,000$ |
| Average Bonus: | $\$ 6,750$ |
| Average Raise: | insufficient data |

## Highest Degree of Education by Job Title

| For those with a JD, |
| :---: |
| the average time |
| spent in practice was |
| 5.3 years. |

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



## Comparison of Average Hours Worked Per Week, 2021 vs. 2023


*insufficient data for Assistants \& Sr. Managers

## Law Firms \& Government Agencies

## Average Hours Worked Per Week, Breakdown by Season



## Law Firms \& Government Agencies

## Are Your Recruiting and PD Departments Separate or Joint? - By Firm Size



## Benefits Received

- $52.7 \%$ of Firms allow employees to work part-time.
- 50\% of Firms provide Flex Days.
- $65.8 \%$ of Firms provide backup daycare, and $10.6 \%$ of Firms have onsite daycare.
- $52.7 \%$ of Firms provide a mobile device to employees, while $61.8 \%$ offer mobile service.
- 97.5\% of Firms provide employees with computers/laptops.
- $46.5 \%$ of Firms offer transportation discounts, mileage reimbursement, or transportation stipends.
- $57.3 \%$ of Firms offer a Health Club membership or discount.
- 90.9\% of Firms provide a flexible spending account.
- $88.5 \%$ of Firms provide a health savings account.
- \% of employees contribute to the cost of their medical care plans.
- $97.5 \%$ of Firms have a 401k program, and 69.4\% of Firms offer 401k matching.
- $15.3 \%$ of Firms have a pension plan.
- $1.4 \%$ of Firms offer free parking.


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

## PTO includes Vacation, Sick and Personal Days

| Title (\# responses) | Average (days) |  | Median (days) |  | Range (days) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (10): | 29.2 |  | 28 | $23-30$ |  |
| Sr. Manager (9): | 24.7 |  | 25 | $20-30$ |  |
| Manager (25): | 25.2 | 25 | $20-30$ |  |  |
| Specialist/Sr. | 23.0 | 24 | $20-25$ |  |  |
| Coordinator (7): | 21.9 | 25 | $20-28$ |  |  |
| Coordinator (7): |  |  | 25 |  |  |

Only 3.2\% of respondents receive unlimited PTO.

## Benefits Received: Average Weeks Parental Leave

| Title (\# responses) | Average Parental Leave (weeks) | Median Parental Leave (weeks) | Range (weeks) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director (9): | 16.7 | 18 | 14-20 |
| Sr. Manager (6): | 15.5 | 15.5 | 12-18 |
| Manager (12): | 14.3 | 12 | 10-18 |
| Specialist/Sr. Coordinator (5): | 12.2 | 12 | 12-16 |
| Coordinator (6): | 16.7 | 15 | 12-24 |

## Addendum

## Law School

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## Law School Career Services

## Average Hours Worked Per Week, Breakdown by Season



## Who Does Your Department Report to?


*certain respondents have indicated more than one option

## Benefits Received

- $20.0 \%$ of Law Schools allow employees to work part-time.
- $73.3 \%$ of Law Schools provide Flex Days.
- $20.0 \%$ of Law Schools provide backup daycare, and $13.3 \%$ of Law Schools have onsite daycare.
- $20.0 \%$ of Law Schools provide a mobile device to employees, and $13.3 \%$ provide mobile service.
- $86.7 \%$ of Law Schools provide employees with computers/laptops.
- $66.7 \%$ of Law Schools offer transportation discounts, mileage reimbursement, or transportation stipends.
- $46.7 \%$ of Law Schools offer a Health Club membership or discount.
- $86.7 \%$ of Law Schools provide a flexible spending account.
- $80.0 \%$ of Law Schools provide a health savings account.
- $84.6 \%$ of employees contribute to the cost of their medical care plans.
- $86.7 \%$ of Law Schools offer tuition reimbursement, and $53.3 \%$ offer consortium school benefits.
- $93.3 \%$ of Law Schools have a 403b program, with $78.5 \%$ of Law Schools offering an employer contribution and 42.8\% of Law Schools offering 403b matching (average 8.2\% match).
- 13.3\% of Law Schools offer free parking.


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

## PTO includes Vacation, Sick and Personal Days

| Title (\# responses) | Average (days) | Median (days) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Director (4): | 26.5 | 22.0 |
| Asst./Assoc Dean <br> (4): | 22.5 | 27.0 |

None of the respondents receive unlimited PTO.


