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Researching Employers

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Use this guide to gain competitive intelligence about potential employers, which can be used at an interview. Average salary data and other information can help you decide whether you want to accept an offer.

Besides a Google search, you can try a legal search engine, such as LexisWeb.


Sources for All Types of Employers

- National Association for Law Placement Directory of Legal Employers (NALP)
  While not comprehensive, contains information on many law firms, public interest organizations, government employers and a few corporations. Contains materials submitted by employers.

- Bloomberg Law
  At upper right, click "Select Sources" to open "All Legal Content" box. Within this box, at top right, click "Select Sources by U.S. Jurisdiction." Under "Browse My Favorites," open "State Law" list, then open "Ohio" list. Click box next to "Ohio" to search all sources, or click box(es) next to desired source(s). Scroll back to top of box to enter search.

- News from Lexis Advance
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- News from Westlaw

- LinkedIn
  Get the scoop from the employees

- Vault.com
  Get company profiles, information from employees and rankings lists of employers.

Related C|M|LAW Library Guides

- Law Career Resources
- Lawyer & Judges Information
Judges
** Judges & Court Statistics **

For more see the Library’s Guides on Judges - Directories and Bios & Court Statistics

- ** Judges
  - Almanac of the Federal Judiciary  
    Via Westlaw.
  - The American Bench: Judges of the Nation  
    KF8700 .A19 A47
  - National Center for State Courts  
    to find state court web sites
- ** Lexis Advance Litigation Profile Suite  
  Click on the red Research tab at the top to access.
- ** OSCAR (Federal Law Clerk Information System)  
  OSCAR is the central online resource for federal law clerk and appellate court staff attorney hiring. It is part of the United States Courts.
- ** PROFILER-WLD (Westlaw)  
  Bios, affiliations, links to cases involved in, caseload by type of case, more

** Court Statistics
- Find out the type of cases litigated and case loads.

** Ohio Courts Summary

** Federal Court Statistics
- Provides statistical data on the federal appellate, district, and bankruptcy courts; the probation and pretrial services systems; and other components of the U.S. courts.

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** Law Firms & Attorneys**
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For more, see Lawyers and Judges - Directory Information and Bios (C|M|LAW Library Research guide)

Bios, Court Cases & other Information

Martindale-Hubbell Lawyer Locator
Attorneys must pay to be listed in Martindale-Hubbell, so it is not an exhaustive directory of all attorneys. International. Peer review surveys. Find attorney by practice area and location.

Westlaw Profiler
Bios, affiliations, links to cases involved in, caseload by type of case, & more

Lexis Advance Litigation Profile Suite
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Law Firm Information

- Crain's Cleveland Business Book of Lists
  See the last issue of each year. A list of Cleveland law firms ranked by number of local attorneys. Print: HF3163.C6 B66
- Rankings by Vault.com
  Rankings by geographic region, practice area, employee satisfaction, diversity and more

Corporations
### Databases of Company Information

For more information, go to our Company Information Research Guide.

- **Lexis Advance - Forms - Ohio**
- **ReferenceUSA (Ohiolink)**
  Directory info, sales figures, number of employees, company profile, names of officers, news, etc. For public companies, links to stock quotes and SEC filings. Info on both public and private companies.
- **Mergent Online**
- **SEC's Edgar Database**
  Find annual reports and other SEC filings.

### Directories for In-House Counsel

- **Directory of Corporate Counsel**
- **Print - KF195.C6 D572**
- **Westlaw**
- **Directory of In-House Law Departments at the Top 500 Companies**
  Free with registration

### Lists of Top Companies

- **Crain's Cleveland Business Book of Lists**
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- **Fortune 500**
- **Fortune 100 Best Companies to Work For**

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**NonProfits & Government**
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**Nonprofits / Public Interest**

- **Guidestar.org**
  Provides basic information and reviews written by other users of the site. Additional information available for a fee. Guidestar database also on LexisNexis - GDSTAR.

- **Charity Navigator**
  An "unbiased, objective, numbers-based rating system to assess the financial health of over 5,000 of America's best-known charities." Considers program expenses, administrative expenses, fundraising expenses, fundraising efficiency, program expense growth, and working capital ratio. Only evaluates 501(c)(3) organizations that file a Form 990, thus does not include private and religious organizations.

- **Idealist.org**
  Search for organizations by keyword, area of focus, location

- **National Association for Law Placement (NALP)**
  Information on many public interest organizations

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**Government**

- **OSCAR (Federal Law Clerk Information System)**
  OSCAR is the central online resource for federal law clerk and appellate court staff attorney hiring. It is part of the United States Courts.

- **State and Local Government on the Net**
  Links to state and local government websites

- **USAJOBS**
  Federal government job listings

- **USA.gov**
  A gateway to government information. Includes information on benefits for federal government workers. Also has an A-Z Index of U.S. Government Departments and Agencies.

- **US Government Manual**
  Comprehensive information on the agencies of the Legislative, Judicial, and Executive branches.

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