

How to Find the Right Headhunter?

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Question:

I am an associate at an Am Law 50 firm, and I get calls from headhunters all the time, sometimes up to several times a week. I never took the calls in the past, but I have recently decided to look for a new position. How do I go about finding the right headhunter? (M.M., New York)

Answer:

Dear M.M.,

Excellent question. Frankly, I wish more associates dedicated more time to the selection of a headhunter since it is such an important decision and one that is usually (and unfortunately) given too little thought. See A Comprehensive Guide to Working with a Legal Recruiter for more information.

I have written two comprehensive articles on this important topic that will provide you with a lot of useful information on selecting a headhunter. Here they are:

"What to Ask the Headhunter" - This is an article that discusses 10 questions you can use to help evaluate and select a headhunter. This article was published in Legal Times on October 30, 2006, and has been used by many attorneys selecting headhunters. Here is a link to the PDF: https://www.bcgsearch.com/crc/what-to-ask-the-headhunter.pdf.

"How to Select the Best Legal Recruiter and Maximize the Effectiveness of Working with One - This is an article I co-wrote with two of my colleagues. Here is a link to the article:

https://www.bcgsearch.com/crc/maxlegalrecruiter.html.

If you read both of these articles, I promise that you will be much more informed and savvier regarding the selection of a headhunter than you were 15 minutes prior to reading them. Good luck!

See the following articles for more information:

What Characteristics Should I Look for in a Legal Recruiter?

Interview yourself first - questions to ask before starting your lateral search

How to Choose a Good Attorney Recruiter

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