

**Young Lawyers Summit: The Next Generation**  
ABA Mid-Year Meeting  
Los Angeles, CA  
Friday, February 8, 2008

Resources on Career Strategies

The ABA Pulse of the Profession 2006 Report<sup>1</sup> indicated that only 55% of attorneys are satisfied with their career. Moreover, the Report found that those who reported satisfaction were more likely to be government attorneys or attorneys who performed pro bono work. In 2003, 56% of those surveyed altered their careers in order to enhance a work-life balance, whereas in 2007, only 45% did so. Moreover, the Report found that career dissatisfaction was personal to each attorney and did not seem to be related to trends in the profession. For more information on changing positions or alternative legal careers, see the following:

[Life's Work: Who's Cuddly Now? Law Firms](#)

by Lisa Belkin  
*New York Times*  
January 24, 2008

[Career Vision: Moving Your Life From Stress to Balance](#)

by Cheryl Leitschuh, Ed.D. LP  
*Law Practice TODAY*  
March 2005

[Career Opportunities in Law And the Legal Industry \(Career Opportunities\)](#)

by Susan Echaore-McDavid  
Checkmark Books (2007)

[Advice for Young Lawyers about Career Development](#)

by Paula Nailon, J.D.  
*Law Practice TODAY*  
March 2005

[Law Firms Are Starting to Adopt Outsourcing](#)

by Julie Creswell  
*New York Times*  
October 27, 2006

[What Can You Do With a Law Degree?: A Lawyer's Guide to Career Alternatives Inside, Outside & Around the Law](#)

by Deborah Arron  
Niche Pr (2003)

[Exploring Alternate Careers for Lawyers](#)

by Kathleen Brady  
*Law Practice TODAY*  
October 2006

[The Official Guide to Legal Specialties](#)

by National Association for Law Placement  
Harcourt Legal & Professional Publications (2000)

[Getting the Right Fit](#)

by Deborah Hodgson  
*Lawyers Weekly*  
May 19, 2006

[The Lawyer's Career Change Handbook: More Than 300 Things You Can Do With a Law Degree](#)

by Hindi Greenberg  
Harper Collins (1998)

[So Associates Are Dissatisfied? It's Not Hard to See Why!](#)

by Edward Poll  
*Law Practice TODAY*  
August 2006

[Beyond L.A. Law: Inspiring Stories of People Who've Done Fascinating Things with a Law Degree](#)

by National Association for Law Placement  
Harper Collins (1998)

[Nonlegal Careers for Lawyers, Fifth Edition](#)

by Gary A. Munneke  
American Bar Association (2006)

[Alternative Legal Careers](#)

by Hillary Mantis  
Princeton Review (1997)

---

<sup>1</sup> ABA Pulse of the Profession Report, 2006.