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			Full-time Long-term Salaries				
	Number Reported	**% of Reported**	**# with Salary**	**25th Percentile**	**Median**	**75th Percentile**	**Mean**
Total Reported = 197							
Gender Reported:							
Women	37	57.8	26	75,000	80,000	105,000	99,534
Men	25	39.1	14	79,000	85,000	100,000	88,239
Non-binary or Chose to Self-identify	2	3.1	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**64**	**100.0**					
Race Reported:							
People of Color	26	36.1	13	78,500	85,000	115,000	110,759
White	46	63.9	36	72,400	79,500	92,500	85,945
Subtotal	**72**	**100.0**					
Gender & Race Reported:							
Women of Color	14	22.6	8	79,250	90,000	177,500	124,500
Men of Color	10	16.1	.	.	.	.	.
White Women	21	33.9	16	71,000	75,000	83,500	86,367
White Men	15	24.2	10	83,000	85,000	95,000	87,234
White Non-binary or Chose to Self-identify	2	3.2	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**62**	**100.0**					
Employment Status Known:							
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated	161	82.1	106	75,000	84,601	105,000	96,453
JD Advantage	22	11.2	5	78,000	80,000	82,000	83,446
Other Position	2	1.0	.	.	.	.	.
Employed-Start Date after March 16, 2026	1	0.5	.	.	.	.	.
Not Employed-Seeking	8	4.1	.	.	.	.	.
Not Employed-Not Seeking	2	1.0	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**196**	**100.0**					

Note: Categories with no graduates reported are not shown. At least five salaries are required for each salary analysis. The non-binary or chose to self-identify category also includes graduates who selected multiple gender identities. Salaries are reported only for full-time, long-term positions. Salaries for graduates in law firm solo practice have been excluded from the analysis.

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Total Employed or Enrolled in Graduate Studies:							
Employed	185	94.4	111	75,000	83,000	105,000	95,867
Subtotal	**185**	**94.4**					
Employment by Sector:							
Private Sector	122	65.9	77	77,500	88,000	120,000	104,361
Public Sector	61	33.0	34	73,000	77,000	80,871	76,631
Subtotal	**183**	**98.9**					
Full-time or Part-time Job Status:							
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated: Full-time	160	86.5	106	75,000	84,601	105,000	96,453
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated: Part-time	1	0.5	.	.	.	.	.
JD Advantage: Full-time	20	10.8	5	78,000	80,000	82,000	83,446
JD Advantage: Part-time	2	1.1	.	.	.	.	.
Other Position: Part-time	2	1.1	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**185**	**100.0**					
Employment Categories:							
Education	3	1.6	.	.	.	.	.
Business	14	7.6	6	80,000	85,000	95,000	89,667
Judicial Clerkships	11	5.9	5	73,000	73,539	75,000	75,828
Private Practice	108	58.4	71	75,000	90,000	135,000	105,603
Government	26	14.1	15	74,000	78,500	88,000	81,157
Public Interest	21	11.4	13	65,700	77,000	80,000	72,824
Unknown Type	2	1.1	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**185**	**100.0**					

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Education Jobs:							
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated	1	33.3	.	.	.	.	.
JD Advantage	2	66.7	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**3**	**100.0**					
Business Jobs:							
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated	4	28.6	.	.	.	.	.
JD Advantage	9	64.3	.	.	.	.	.
Other Position	1	7.1	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**14**	**100.0**					
Private Practice Jobs:							
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated	106	98.1	71	75,000	90,000	135,000	105,603
JD Advantage	2	1.9	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**108**	**100.0**					
Government Jobs:							
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated	23	88.5	15	74,000	78,500	88,000	81,157
JD Advantage	3	11.5	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**26**	**100.0**					
Judicial Clerkships:							
Federal	4	36.4	.	.	.	.	.
State	6	54.5	.	.	.	.	.
Local	1	9.1	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**11**	**100.0**					

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Public Interest Jobs:							
Bar Admission Required/ Anticipated	16	76.2	13	65,700	77,000	80,000	72,824
JD Advantage	5	23.8	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**21**	**100.0**					
Size of Law Firm (by # of Attorneys):							
1-10	33	30.6	17	65,000	72,000	80,000	75,994
11-25	14	13.0	10	75,000	83,000	85,000	80,100
26-50	24	22.2	16	76,500	85,000	90,000	85,150
51-100	8	7.4	6	85,000	105,000	145,000	120,000
101-250	15	13.9	11	105,000	145,000	150,000	136,818
251-500	4	3.7	.	.	.	.	.
501+	9	8.3	8	122,500	170,000	205,000	166,250
Unknown Size	1	0.9	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**108**	**100.0**					
Type of Law Firm Job:							
Associate/Entry-level Attorney	101	93.5	69	77,500	90,000	135,000	106,594
Staff Attorney	1	0.9	.	.	.	.	.
Law Clerk	5	4.6	.	.	.	.	.
Paralegal	1	0.9	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**108**	**100.0**					

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Jobs Taken by Region:							
New England	2	1.1	.	.	.	.	.
Mid-Atlantic	4	2.2	.	.	.	.	.
E North Central	142	77.6	87	73,539	80,000	105,000	94,315
W North Central	2	1.1	.	.	.	.	.
South Atlantic	21	11.5	12	75,500	81,500	84,801	87,323
W South Central	4	2.2	.	.	.	.	.
Mountain	5	2.7	.	.	.	.	.
Pacific	3	1.6	.	.	.	.	.
Subtotal	**183**	**100.0**					
Location of Jobs:							
In-State	122	66.7	74	72,800	79,500	95,000	89,965
Out of State	61	33.3	37	80,000	90,000	110,000	107,672
Subtotal	**183**	**100.0**					
# States and Territories with Employed Grads:							
	22	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total #	**22**	**.**					

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	Number Reported	% of Reported
Source of Job:		
Career office recruitment program (e.g., OCI)	36	28.6
Job fair or career conference	9	7.1
Career office job posting	16	12.7
Non-career office job posting	13	10.3
Returned to or continued with pre-law school employer	4	3.2
Referral	20	15.9
Self-initiated contact/networking	13	10.3
Other	15	11.9
Subtotal	**126**	**100.0**
Timing of Job Offer:		
Before graduation	124	67.4
After graduation	60	32.6
Subtotal	**184**	**100.0**
Search Status of Employed Grads:		
Seeking a different job	8	5.8
Not seeking a different job	129	94.2
Subtotal	**137**	**100.0**
Note: Figures are based on jobs for which the item was reported, and thus may not add to the total number of jobs. Timing of job offer figures exclude any graduates starting their own practice.		

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	Number of Jobs Reported as:	
	Long-term (1+ years)	**Short-term (Less than 1 year)**
Duration of Jobs by Employer Type:		
Education	3	.
Business	14	.
Judicial Clerkships	11	.
Unknown Type	.	2
Private Practice	106	2
Government	25	1
Public Interest	17	4
Total Reported	**176**	**9**
Total Number of Jobs Reported as Funded by Law School:		
	6	.
Total Reported	**6**	**.**

Note: Figures for job duration are based on jobs for which the item was reported, and thus may not add to the total number of jobs. The count of jobs funded by the law school is a total, regardless of duration.

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