



## TEN THINGS TO CONSIDER IF YOU WANT TO BE A LAWYER?

- 1.** Four years of undergraduate education, followed by three years of law school. Pass a 2-3 day Bar Examination; pass a character investigation. License to practice law in in a State, not every state.
- 2.** Most lawyers make a comfortable living but, contrary to popular belief, are not wealthy.
- 3.** You must work well under pressure. LSAT. Each class requires much reading beforehand. A single test usually determines your final grade. No excuses.
- 4.** Are you comfortable with public speaking? You will be called upon in class; sometimes unexpectedly. You must be able to communicate effectively.
- 5.** Do you like words? Words are the tools of a lawyer; they are used to persuade, to explain, etc. We communicate with words, writing, body language.
- 6.** Do you have an analytical mind; reasoning, critical thinking.
- 7.** Can you relate to people from all walks of life, despite your own personal views?
- 8.** Are you willing to be available to your clients 24/7. Is private practice for you?
- 9.** Comfortable developing clients and new business? You must market yourself.
- 10.** You must dress the part? Business attire conveys respect, inspires confidence and trust, and projects a polished image. Personal grooming counts!

## **THINGS NOT TO DO IF YOU WANT TO GET ADMITTED INTO LAW SCHOOL**

1. Waiting until the last minute to get things done. .
2. Taking courses involving reading, reasoning, etc.when you're really not interested in doing so.
3. Not preparing for the LSAT or waiting too long to do so. Practice, practice.
4. Getting into trouble.
5. Not building relationships with your professors.
6. Not considering the costs of Law School.

## **THINGS TO DO IF YOU WANT TO GET ADMITTED INTO LAW SCHOOL**

1. Choose challenging courses that are most suitable for law school.Avoid easy courses.
2. Develop good writing skills. Read, read, read.
3. Surround yourself with friends who share you values.
4. Join a pre-law or legal mentoring group
5. Build relationships with your professors
6. Study for the SAT / LSAT well in advance; take practice tests.Khan. LSAC.
7. Consider financing your investment in your legal education..