Chambers Associate Partners with NALSC

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There's no doubt that moving jobs can be one of the most stressful experiences attorneys can face. It involves multiple spinning plates; they have to constantly be on the look-out for attractive openings, studying these roles with a critical eye, networking and building critical relationships, all while continuing to satisfy demands in their current job. And we haven't even begun to consider juggling demands at home, as well as planning the logistics of a relocation if they're moving state or country. So, how can we make the process a little bit easier?

Enter Chambers Associate's <u>Career Moves</u> hub – a resource for all attorneys, from those actively looking to make a lateral move, to those who have just started thinking about it. We collaborate with seasoned recruiters and law firms across the US to uncover different legal landscapes, offering attorneys the chance to build their knowledge of the legal market and assess whether a move is the right fit for them. Our resources come in the form of articles and podcasts, so whether the attorney is sitting at a desk doing focused research or reclining on the couch with a cup of coffee, there's something for everyone.

Chambers Associate has been collaborating with NALSC since the inception of our Career Moves hub back in 2019 to cater to the growing demand for information specifically geared towards lateral associates. Our first article with NALSC explored how to work with legal recruiters, alerting associates to the pitfalls they can encounter through the recruitment process. Since then, we've released podcasts with NALSC board member Valerie Fontaine and president Mitch Satalof covering the <u>seven critical questions all attorneys should ask their recruiters</u> and, crucially, how to take your job search by the horns.

We've collaborated on articles with NALSC member firms including Whistler Partners, VOYlegal, and Jowers Vargas on topics such as lateralling from Canada to the US, the emerging market of esports and videogame law, and competitive practice areas set to take off in the coming year. These articles look to unearth the nuances of the legal market in different jurisdictions, identify trending practices across states, and share tried-and-tested tips on how associates can get their slice. In addition to interviewing recruiters in preparation for our content, we speak to recent laterals to get their perspective on the process. The third iteration of our competitive practice areas series is set

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In a nutshell, our partnership with NALSC opens doors for us to connect with ethical recruiters across US legal markets who are experts in their field. The recruiters we work with are constantly on top of trends affecting legal recruitment in different states and practices, and they share that knowledge with our audience in order to aid them in making the best career decisions possible.

Following last year's NALSC conference in Scottsdale where we met many NALSC members, we compiled a list of trends affecting legal recruitment in 2022. We're looking forward to attending this year's conference in Nashville as gold sponsors, where we hope to reconnect with old friends, meet some new ones, and find out what top trends are affecting legal recruitment this year. See you there!

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