# CAREER IN LAW

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- > Studying law is gradually becoming a very popular option.
- Why study law and it's importance?
  - applying to day-to-day life
  - widens career opportunities
  - needed for various professional fields
  - to teach law
  - self-employment
  - law-firms
  - Law is not just about arguing your case; it is about using your skills to make a positive social impact on society, being an advocate for justice, a protector of human rights, and a voice for those who cannot speak up for themselves.
  - Legal aid has also played a crucial role during the pandemic.
- > Is law a viable career option?
  - law is noble profession societal impact
  - studying law widens the spectrum of career opportunities
  - Law graduates not only enjoy being hired in Law related firms but also get a chance to be placed in other sectors like Healthcare, IT, Education, Media and Entertainment, Real Estate, Banking, Insurance and above all corporate.

- What you can do with a law degree?
  - job security Whether you choose to work for a law firm, a corporation, or the government, there will always be a need for legal services.
  - Personal Satisfaction : As a lawyer, you have the opportunity to make a positive impact on society
  - Professional Growth: The field of law is constantly evolving, opportunity to continually learn and grow.

# Career Choices?

- Judicial Officers
- Advocates / law firms
- legal journalism
- Government Services (Groups, Law Officers, Central Services)
- Compliance Officers / Regulatory Compliance/ contracts team / legal team (Private Companies)
- Mediation and Dispute Resolution
- legal technology (development of new apps to streamline legal processes & delivery of services)
- NGOs.

#### 1. PRIVATE PRACTICE:

- Litigation Attorney: Represent clients in civil or criminal cases, conducting research, drafting pleadings, and arguing cases in court.
- Corporate Lawyer: Handle corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, compliance, and contracts for businesses.

### \* Specializations:

- Family Law: Deals with divorce, custody battles, and adoption cases.
- Tax Law: Advice on tax-related matters, including planning and compliance.
- Real Estate Law: Manage transactions, disputes, and development projects related to property.

#### \* Related Laws

#### - Litigation Attorney:

- Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (CPC)
- Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (CrPC)
- Indian Penal Code, 1860 (IPC)
- Indian Evidence Act, 1872
- Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023
- Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023
- Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023

#### - Family Law:

- Hindu Marriage Act, 1955
- Special Marriage Act, 1954
- Guardians and Wards Act, 1890
- Domestic Violence Act, 2005

#### 2. PUBLIC SECTOR:

- Public Defender: Provide legal representation to individuals unable to afford private counsel.
- Prosecutor: Represent the state in criminal cases, pursuing justice on behalf of the public.
- Legal Advisor to Government Agencies: Offer legal counsel to government departments on policy, regulatory issues, and compliance.

#### 3. CORPORATE ROLES:

- In-House Counsel: Advise a specific company on legal matters, ensuring compliance with laws and regulations.
- Compliance Officer: Ensure that the company adheres to external rules and internal controls.
- Corporate Governance Advisor: Assist in the development and implementation of corporate governance policies.

### Corporate Lawyer:

- Companies Act, 2013
- Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) Regulations
- Competition Act, 2002
- Contract Act, 1872

#### 4. INTERNATIONAL LAW:

- Human Rights Lawyer: Advocate for individuals or groups whose rights have been violated.
- International Trade Lawyer: Handle issues related to trade agreements, tariffs, and international commerce.
- Diplomat: Engage in negotiations and representation for international relations and treaties.

# 5. ACADEMIA/RESEARCH:

- Law Professor: Teach law courses at universities and conduct legal research.
- Researcher: Focus on specific legal issues, publishing findings in journals and advising on policy.

# 6. ADR (ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION):

- Mediator: Facilitate negotiations between disputing parties to reach a mutual agreement.
- Arbitrator: Make binding decisions in disputes based on evidence and arguments presented.

# 7. NON-PROFIT/ADVOCACY:

- Legal Advocate: Work for NGOs to promote social justice, human rights, and policy changes.
- Policy Analyst: Research and analyze legal policies, making recommendations for improvements.

# 8. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

- Legal Roles: Positions in agencies like SEBI (Securities and Exchange Board of India), RBI (Reserve Bank of India), or regulatory bodies, focusing on compliance, enforcement, and advisory roles.
- PSU (Public Sector Undertakings)

# 9. LEGAL SUPPORT SERVICES:

- Paralegal: Assist lawyers with research, document preparation, and case management.
- Legal Secretary: Provide administrative support to legal professionals.

#### 10. MEDIA AND JOURNALISM:

- Legal Journalist: Report on legal news, cases, and developments.
- Commentator: Provide expert analysis and opinions on legal matters.

## 11. TECH AND LAW:

- Cybersecurity Lawyer: Advice on laws related to data protection, privacy, and cybersecurity incidents.
- Legal Tech Consultant: Help law firms implement and manage technology solutions.

# 12. ENTREPRENEURSHIP:

- Start Your Own Law Firm: Offer legal services independently, managing all aspects of the business.
- Legal Services Start-Up: Develop innovative solutions and services for legal needs.

## 13. SPECIALIZED AREAS:

- Sports Law: Handle contracts, disputes, and regulatory compliance in the sports industry.
- Entertainment Law: Focus on the legal aspects of the entertainment industry, including contracts and intellectual property.
- Healthcare Law: Address legal issues related to healthcare providers, patients, and regulatory compliance.

## 14. JUDICIARY:

- Judge: Preside over court cases, making decisions based on law and evidence.
- Judicial Clerk: Assist judges with research, drafting opinions, and case preparation.

## 15. JAG (Judge Advocate General's Corps):

 Military Lawyer: Provide legal services to the armed forces, including defence, prosecution, and advisory roles within the military justice system.