

Job Search Resources

The information below is a starting point for your job search and includes a non-comprehensive list of professional associations, websites, and other resources that will help you find a job in a law library.

Before you begin your search, consider these key tips:

- **Networking** is essential. Get to know your local law librarians and become active in professional associations. Personal connections are a great way to learn about upcoming job opportunities and develop relationships with potential colleagues and hiring managers.
- Keep your **options** open. There are many different organizations employing law librarians, including academic institutions, courthouses, law societies, law firms, corporations, and government. Curate a list of organizations with law libraries and check their websites or social media accounts for job postings.
- Expand your job title **vocabulary** and read job descriptions carefully. Job postings for law librarians may include titles such as: Reference Librarian, Collections Librarian, Research Librarian, or Instruction Librarian.

Library Associations

- Join national, regional, and/or international law library associations.
- Subscribe to association listservs.
- Attend conferences or local events. Volunteering to help promote or organize an event is a great way to make connections with association members.
- Take advantage of scholarships and other funding resources.
- Pursue formal and informal mentoring opportunities.
- Get involved by participating in committees or special interest groups.

Law Library Associations

National

Organization

Association of Parliamentary Libraries in Canada /
Association des bibliothèques parlementaires au
Canada (APLIC/ABPAC) <http://aplic-abpac.org/>

Canadian Association of Law Libraries / Association
canadienne des bibliothèques de droit
(CALL/ACBD) <http://www.callacbd.ca/>

Job Postings

<http://aplic-abpac.org/opportunities/>

Listserv: http://www.callacbd.ca/Resources/Documents/Resources/CALL%20Listserv_v2.pdf

Regional

Organization

Association des bibliothèques de droit de Montréal
/ Montreal Association of Law Libraries
(ABDM/MALL) <http://abdm-mall.org/en/>

Calgary Law Library Group (CLLG) <https://cllg.ca/>

Edmonton Law Libraries Association (ELLA)
<http://edmontonlawlibraries.ca/>

Ontario Courthouse Librarians' Association (OCLA)
<http://oclanet.com/>

Toronto Association of Law Libraries (TALL)
<https://www.talltoronto.ca/>

Vancouver Association of Law Libraries (VALL)
<http://vall.vancouver.bc.ca/>

Job Postings

<http://abdm-mall.org/en/category/job/>

<http://cllg.ca/jobs/>

<http://edmontonlawlibraries.ca/category/events/>

Listserv: <https://www.talltoronto.ca/join-tall-listserv>

<http://vall.vancouver.bc.ca/jobs>

International

Organization

American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)
<http://www.aallnet.org/>

Job Postings

<http://careers.aallnet.org/jobs>

Other Library Associations

Organization

Job Postings

American Library Association www.ala.org/

<http://joblist.ala.org/>

Special Libraries Association <http://www.sla.org/>

<http://careercenter.sla.org/>

British Columbia Library Association
<https://bclaconnect.ca/>

<https://partnershipjobs.ca/>

Academic Institutions

Job postings are often posted to university websites or circulated via institutional mailing lists.

Organization

Job Postings

McGill University School of
Information Studies
<http://www.mcgill.ca/sis/>

Listserv: <https://www.mcgill.ca/sis/careers/maillinglist>

University of Toronto iSchool
<http://current.ischool.utoronto.ca/>

<http://current.ischool.utoronto.ca/jobsite>

Western University Faculty of
Information and Media Studies
<http://www.fims.uwo.ca/>

http://www.fims.uwo.ca/alumni/lis_jobweb/lis_jobweb_can/

Other Websites

In addition to searching general job sites, search for organizations that may have a law library. Government jobs may only be posted on government websites so check municipal, provincial, and federal government job websites - you can also set up automatic alerts to notify you of new job postings.

Organization

Job Postings

Government of Canada

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-service-commission/jobs/services/public-service-jobs.html>

I Need A Library Job <http://inalj.com/>

<http://inalj.com/?p=1441>

LibGig <https://www.libgig.com/>

<http://lac-group.force.com/LIBGIG>

Books

For more books on law librarianship, try these keywords: law librarianship, legal information.

- Ellyssa Kroski, ed, *Law Librarianship in the Digital Age* (Scarecrow Press, 2014).
- John Azzolini, *Law Firm Librarianship: Issues, Practice, and Directions* (Chandos Publishing, 2013).
- Annette Demers, ed, *Legal Information Specialists: A Guide to Launching and Building Your Career* (LexisNexis, 2012).
- Roy Balleste, Sonia LunaLamas & Lisa SmithButler, eds, *Law Librarianship in the Twenty-First Century*, 2nd ed (Scarecrow Press, 2007).