



Your Legal Career Will Likely Follow a Pattern Like This:

1. In Years 0 to 3, you will face a steep learning curve.
2. As you complete this process, you are in a good position to make a change because you have learned the basics of the practice of law.
3. In Years 4 to 8, you will become proficient in a particular field. You will be sitting in “The Second Chair” and getting many things done. You are also very marketable towards the end of this period. It is towards the end of this period that you may become a partner in a private firm.
4. In Years 9 to 12, you will face the most difficult part of your career as you transition from being a participant in the process to being responsible for the process.
5. Beyond 12 years, you will continue to gain knowledge and experience.