

General Practice Law involves practicing in many different areas of the law. General practice lawyers can advise clients and resolve disputes; draft documents, including contracts, for small business owners; draft wills, powers of attorney, and medical directives; resolve or even try small lawsuits; draft and execute deeds; represent clients at real estate closings; handle traffic tickets; and draft contracts and other documents for many different situations.

General practice lawyers need to be generalists, as they offer legal services that span a range of practice areas. Although they may take advanced courses and eventually specialize in one or more areas of the law, basic courses in any area of the law are useful for the general practice lawyer. Interviewing, counseling, negotiation, and even mediation are good skills for general practice lawyers to develop and use in a general practice.

For more information about general practice law, see the [Solo and Small Firm Section of the Florida Bar](#), the [Solo, Small Firm and General Practice Division of the American Bar Association](#), [MyShingle](#), a resource site and blog for solo and small-firm lawyers, and the [Solo/Small Firm Toolkit](#), an Adobe Acrobat document from the Bar Association of San Francisco.

Job Type	Typical Duties
<u>Private Law Firms</u>	Drafting wills Handling PI cases. Negotiating tax settlements with IRS. Assisting clients with criminal issues, including traffic infractions, DUIs, misdemeanors, and felonies. Assisting clients with family law issues, including dissolution and custody.

Student Organizations

- [Association of Business Law Students](#)
- [Broward County Bar Association \(student organization\)](#)
- [Criminal Law Society](#)
- [Environmental & Land Use Law Society](#)
- [Family Law Society](#)
- [Immigration Law Organization](#)
- [LAMBDA Law Society](#)
- [Student Animal Legal Defense Fund](#)
- [The Real Property, Probate, & Trust Law Society](#)
- [Tort Law Society](#)

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Professional Organizations

[Broward County Bar Association](#)

[American Bar Association](#)

Other Activities

Get involved with student bar association.

Obtain an internship with an attorney or firm.

Periodically check the [Symplicity Job Board](#) for opportunities in this area of law.

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