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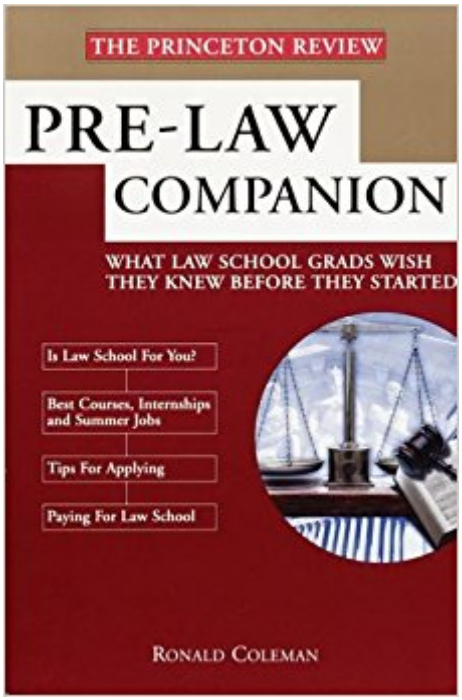
# Pre-Law Companion

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## Synopsis

Law school holds promise of a high salary, prestige, and a lifetime of intellectual inquiry. But is law school really the place for you? It’s a lot of work getting into law school, more work when you get there, and even more work when you begin to practice law. Well, the Pre-Law Companion is here to help you plan your future.In The Princeton Review’s Pre-Law Companion, lawyer, professor, and award-winning legal journalist Ronald Coleman, Esq., takes you step by step through the process of analyzing your talents, interests, motivations, and even your ideal lifestyle. Ronald guides you through the most useful college courses, internships, and summer jobs. He also helps you find the time and money for a legal education, choose a law school, and maximize your application -- if you decide you want a legal career.An appendix includes the latest Princeton Review survey information about law schools across the country. Anyone about to attend college with future law school plans in mind should add this book to their list of essential reading.

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The strength of Mr. Coleman’s work, The Pre-Law Companion, is its honest look at the legal profession from the point of view most useful to a potential law student: why you might NOT want to attend law school. The author is tough and unwavering in his approach to talking about the reality of life as a lawyer, and in asking the questions that most people overlook. However, his directness is tempered with humor, flair and personality as he provides a rather endearing look into his own

journey through the process and shares some of the pitfalls he encountered along the way. By utilizing a healthy balance of instruction and wit, Mr. Coleman has successfully created this essential pre-law guide. In the first half of the book, the author leads the reader through a fresh and rigorous look at his or her individual strengths and weaknesses as a potential lawyer. Since obtaining a J.D. involves a significant commitment of time, money and other more intangible resources (like family support, toll on friendships or social life, the opportunity cost of lost income while in school, to name a few), the decision to invest these resources deserves a hard look. This investigation involves broaching the subjects of aptitude for the legal profession (it is not simply about showmanship or being a good arguer), the reality of life as a lawyer (beyond the glamour of "Ally McBeal" and "The Practice"), and what else you could be or would rather be doing with all of that time, money, etc. Ron helps each of his readers ask the questions fundamental to making the right decision about whether or not they should attend law school.

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