

BY THE
LAW NUMBERS

FEWER LAWYERS – AND JOBS

CLASS OF '15 GAINS
ONLY IN PERCENTAGES

IN 2015

3,848

FEWER LAW SCHOOL GRADUATES THAN IN 2014

BUT...

3,152

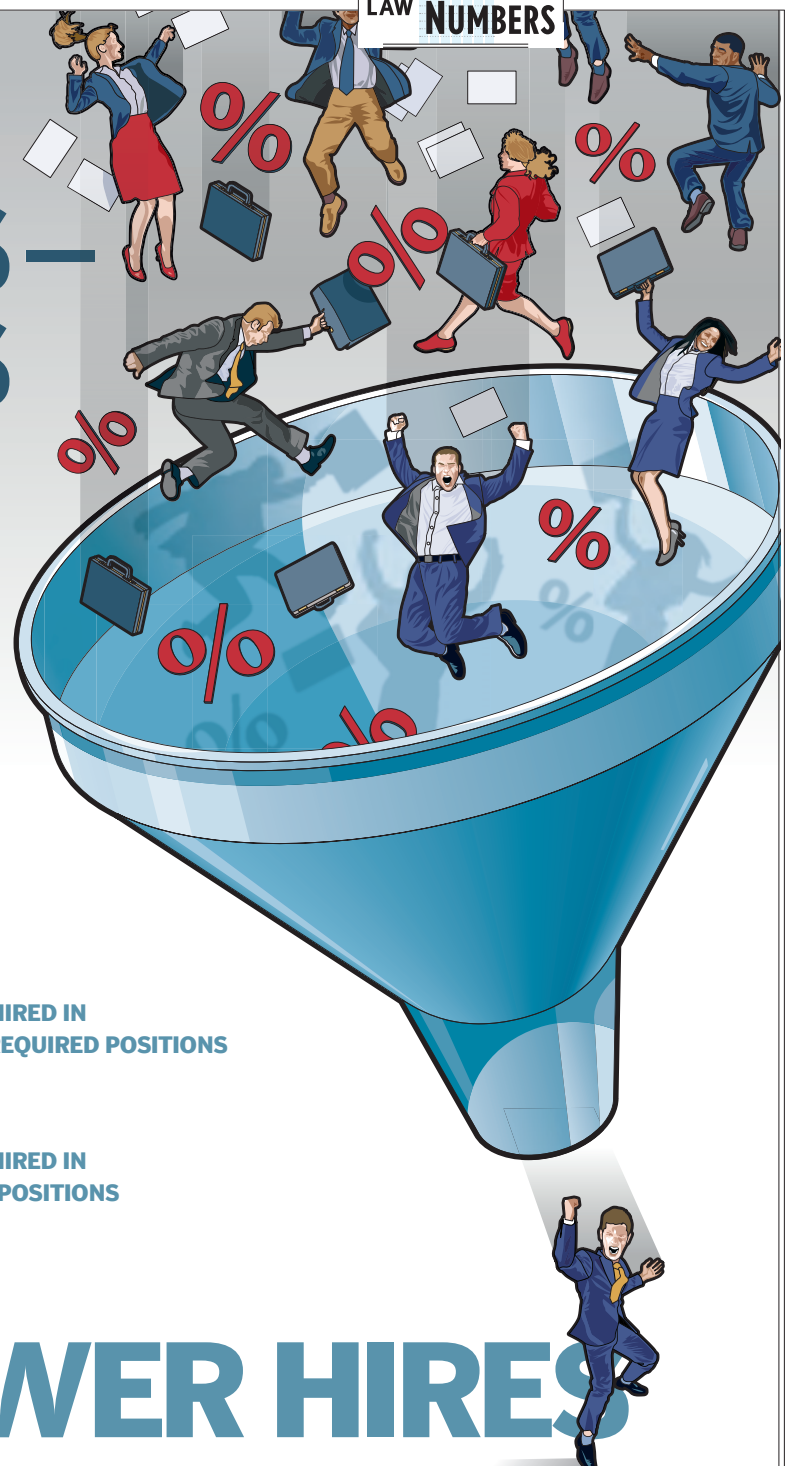
FEWER GRADS HIRED IN
BAR-PASSAGE-REQUIRED POSITIONS

+ 859

FEWER GRADS HIRED IN
JD-ADVANTAGE POSITIONS

EQUALS ...

4,011 FEWER HIRES



SOMETIMES PERCENTAGES JUST DON'T CUT IT. While the ABA's law graduate employment data for the class of 2015 shows a slight increase in the percentage of the class getting hired, raw figures show a significant drop in actual hires. The reason: The 2015 class **shrank by 8.79 percent** from the 2014 total. **ONE GOOD NOTE:** The number of class members reported as unemployed and seeking jobs also **shrank by 424**, which is 0.1 percentage points below the 2014 figure.

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SOURCE: ABA law graduate employment data.

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