



CONTEMPLATING CAREERS

Contemplating a Career in Criminal Justice

The information in this chapter is indicative of a large and far-reaching criminal justice system. The size and breadth of the criminal justice system has implications in terms of the many career and job opportunities available. Positions include victim advocates; researchers; probation and parole officers; federal, state, and local law enforcement agents; prosecutors; defense attorneys; judges; prison psychologists; reentry specialists; law clerks; and corrections officers. Each of these positions (and others not noted here) benefit from individuals

wishing to help others and make society a better place. Additional personal characteristics such as being a leader, inquisitive, detail-oriented, and organized may point to specific careers for you. In the remainder of the text, many of these important careers and specific personality characteristics associated with them are highlighted.



Career Video:

A federal agent discusses his experience and current issues in the field.