How Michael Tyler, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary of Gateway, Inc began his career in law

Studies have shown that only about five to 10 percent of new job openings are advertised in print or online. The rest are filled by word of mouth. Therefore, career networking is considered one of the most successful ways to find a new job.

Michael Tyler, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary of Gateway, Inc., said he owes much of his success to networking. "I found my first [job], and all subsequent jobs, through networking. Obviously, then, I consider networking critical to success. I also have used recruiters and generally have been happy with my experience in this regard, but networking is the technique which, for me, has led to the most success," Tyler said.