

DRESS FOR SUCCESS TIPS FOR WOMEN

As many of you are getting ready for interviews, I thought I would share a few helpful hints regarding your interview attire. You can get a nice suit at the Macy's clearance sale or The Rack for a reasonable price. Then you can pay a small price to have it tailored to fit you and it will look like you spent a lot of money on the suit. Keep in mind, tailors like having a week to complete the work; so, plan ahead. Let me know if you need the name of a tailor.

1. Err on the side of caution. Ladies should wear a skirt- the shortest length should be just below the knee. I know this skirt recommendation will infuriate many of you. Did I mention err on the side of caution? Wait until you get the job to change the minds of the other attorneys about women in pant suits.
2. Black (preferred) or dark grey suit- pressed and tailored.
3. Black dress shoes and pantyhose or tights. Shoes should be flat to low in heel height.
4. Make sure shoes are polished. I actually had an employer tell me that is the first thing he looks at when an interviewee walks in- it goes to attention to detail.
5. Make up should be subtle and classy; Jewelry should be subtle and classy, or best, none at all. (except your wedding ring)
6. Conservative dress shirt or shell recommended. No wide or trendy collars or colors. An appropriate neckline must be worn. Absolutely no cleavage. No lace.
7. Haircut and smooth hair style a must.
8. Absolutely no perfume- many workplaces are now scent free
9. No gum
10. No garlic for lunch and brush your teeth
11. Bring an extra copy of your resume; do your research on the employer and the interviewer- OK this does not go to attire, but every chance I get I will take it.....
12. No chipped nails or nail polish
13. Err on the side of caution!
14. Good luck and if you have any questions regarding your suit, come ask us.