



*Helping Veterans  
and Military Families  
obtain Professional Licenses  
in New Jersey*

**A Hero's  
Welcome  
TO  
New Jersey**



State of New Jersey  
**Office of the Attorney General**  
Division of Consumer Affairs





## Thinking of moving to New Jersey?

Do you hold a professional license in another state?



## *We're here to help!*

The NJ Division of Consumer Affairs currently oversees 51 professional and occupational boards and committees, and licenses over 750,000 individuals.

If you are relocating to New Jersey, we want to help you and your family get licensed.

The process can take some time, as we will need paperwork from you, and may need additional information from others, such as former employers, school records, and a background check.

**We encourage you to apply as soon as possible. Preferably as soon as you know you are moving.**

## Service Members AND Veterans

- Your military training may also qualify you for credit towards obtaining a NJ license.
- State law requires that boards facilitate recognition for military training, education, and experience, and we are eager to help.

***We'd like to assist you with your transition to New Jersey as a licensed individual, reducing your time spent not working, by providing 1-on-1 support through the licensing process.***



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## *Did you know...*

- Nationally, 35% of military spouses require a government license to work in their chosen profession. <sup>(1)</sup>
- Military spouse unemployment rates have ranged from 20% to 25% throughout the last decade. <sup>(2)</sup>
- According to a recent study, among the top concerns of military spouses are:
  - employment - 43%
  - financial stress - 45%
  - relocation - 45% <sup>(3)</sup>



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- (1) The Council of Economic Advisers "Military Spouses in the Labor Market." May 2018 [www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Military-Spouses-in-the-Labor-Market.pdf](http://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Military-Spouses-in-the-Labor-Market.pdf)
- (2) U.S. Department of Defense, "Military Spouse Employment Initiative." June 2017 [www.ncsl.org/documents/wln/ekringer.pdf](http://www.ncsl.org/documents/wln/ekringer.pdf)
- (3) Blue Star Families. 2017 Blue Star Families Military Family Lifestyle Survey. 2017 [www.secome.org/MFLSComprehensiveReport17-FINAL.pdf](http://www.secome.org/MFLSComprehensiveReport17-FINAL.pdf)

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