## JOB WON! Worksheet

An excerpt from Phil Blair's Book

## **Corporate Investigations**

**Hoovers.com** A subscriber-based service that lists corporate information

like top executives, annual sales, growth figures, competition, etc. You have to pay for much of this information, but just

poking around can turn up a lot.

**Vault.com** Also subscription-based, with much of the same material as

Hoover's, but it also provides a peek at corporate cultures. There are surveys and message boards where people (including employees) can discuss prospects, culture, products and

the like.

**IndustryWeek.com** Provides free information on the top 1,000 manufacturing

companies internationally and the top 500 in the United

States.

**BusinessWire.com** A comprehensive listing of news releases from thousands of

companies and organizations.

**Reportgallery.com** Links to more than 2,000 annual reports from major and

mid-sized companies. Annual reports are a good way to see how a company wants the rest of the world to see it. And, if you know how to read them closely, they offer a wealth of informa-

tion and data.

**CorporateInformation.com** Requires free registration, but allows you to research thou-

sands of companies, here and around the world.

**Give.org** A go-to source for information on non-profit organizations

consolidated by the Better Business Bureau. Its "charity reports" detail primary projects, budgets, staff and top per-

sonnel. A similar source is GuideStar.org.