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SEMI-ANNUAL CLAIMS ACTIVITY REPORTS: JULY 1, 2019 - DECEMBER 31, 2019

<u>Action Requested</u>: Receive the semi-annual claims activity reports for the period of July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

Executive Summary: The semi-annual claims activity reports are designed to address eight categories of pending claims:

- (1) Lawsuits¹;
- (2) Tort and contract claims not yet lawsuits;
- (3) Complaints filed with administrative agencies other than workers' compensation claims;
- (4) Workers' compensation claims;
- (5) Internal discrimination complaints/investigations;
- (6) Faculty and Professional and Scientific (P&S) grievances and disciplinary measures;
- (7) Internal grievances/claims/investigations of contract-covered staff; and
- (8) Other matters which may be unique to the institution.

The institutions and the Board Office have submitted reports for each category and have prepared executive summaries highlighting significant issues, trends, areas for improvement and initiatives to address the identified problem areas. The executive summaries submitted by the institutions are attached to this memorandum.

¹ This category may include lawsuits in which multiple Regent institutions and/or the Board of Regents are named parties. These claims are included in the reports for each named party.

Office of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa

Executive Summary: The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to the Board Office for the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 time period and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/16	06/17	12/17	06/18	12/18	06/19	12/19
1. Litigation	5	4	4	2	2	1	0
2. Contract and Tort Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Administrative Agencies	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Workers' Compensation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Faculty and P&S Grievances & Discipline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. Merit Grievances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

During the current reporting period, the Office of the Board of Regents had no (0) claims.

University of Iowa

Executive Summary: The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to the University of Iowa for the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 time period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/16	06/17	12/17	06/18	12/18	06/19	12/19
1. Litigation	21	27	24	31	24	25	19
2. Contract and Tort Claims	29	33	25/31	21/6	17/14	25/5	27/4
3. Administrative Agencies	22	21	24	28	29	28	27
4. Workers' Compensation	730	827	738	810	774	794	838
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	3	8	4	10	8	8	8
6. Faculty and P&S Grievances & Discipline	10	5	6	3	4	3	3
7. Merit Grievances	45	22	20	20	12	13	19
8. UIHC Tort Claims	7	18	30	29	22	21*	26
9. UIHC Lawsuits	24	26	30	31	25	29	25

1. Litigation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Between July 1 and December 31, 2019, seven (7) were dismissed, settled or otherwise adjudicated during this period and will be deleted from the next report. Two (2) new lawsuits were filed during this period. As of December 31, 2019, there are nineteen (19) pending lawsuits. No discernable trend can be identified.

2. Contract and Tort Claims

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: During this reporting period, eight (8) claims were denied, withdrawn or settled and will be deleted from the next report. Six (6) new tort claims were filed during this period. As of December 31, 2019, there are four (4) pending tort claims. No discernible trend can be identified.

This report includes a listing of twenty-eight (28) claims. During this period, no (0) contract claims were paid. Two (2) were filed. Zero (0) were amended. One (1) was paid on this report and will be deleted from the next report. There are twenty-seven (27) pending claims. No discernible trend can be identified.

3. Administrative Agencies

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Seven (7) administrative agency claims were settled or administrative closed in this time period and four (4) new claims were filed. As of December 31, 2019, twenty-seven (27) were pending. No discernible trend can be identified.

4. Workers' Compensation Claims

Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence: No discernable trend has been identified.

5. Internal Discrimination Complaints

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of pending cases during this reporting period is eight (8). No discernable trend has been identified.

6. Faculty and P&S Grievances and Disciplinary Cases

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: There is one (1) faculty, zero (0) P&S, one (1) SNAHP and one (1) COGS grievances filed during this period. The number of active cases is three (3).

7. Merit Grievances

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: There were thirteen (13) grievances filed during this reporting period. The number of active cases is nineteen (19).

8. UIHC Tort Claims²

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: During this period, seven (7) tort claims were denied, withdrawn or settled and will be deleted from the next report. Three (3) of these tort claims have now been filed as lawsuits (and are also listed in that section of the report). Five (5) new tort claims were filed during this period. As of December 31, 2019, there are twenty-six (26) pending tort claims.

9. UIHC Lawsuits

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Nine (9) lawsuits were dismissed, settled or otherwise adjudicated during this period and will be deleted from the next report. Three (3) new lawsuits were filed during this period. As of December 31, 2019, there are twenty-five (25) pending lawsuits.

² Does not include small claims addressed by UIHC pursuant to a 28E Agreement with the Department of Justice. During this reporting period, no (0) 28E Agreement tort claim was settled directly by UIHC.

Iowa State University

Executive Summary: The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to Iowa State University for the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 time period and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/16	06/17	12/17	06/18	12/18	06/19	12/19
1. Litigation	20	19	17	20	16	15	10
2. Contract and Tort Claims	25	33	21	27	19	16	11
3. Administrative Agencies	10	10	10	9	10	9	8
4. Workers' Compensation	177	144	151	156	141	165	156
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	10	18	16	8	15	15	7
6. Faculty and P&S Grievances & Discipline	16	17	8	11	14	8	9
7. Merit Grievances	25	24	19	16	1	1	0

1. Litigation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: In this reporting period, four (4) new lawsuits were filed. Of the six (6) currently pending cases, three (3) have trial dates in 2020.

2. Contract and Tort Claims

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Five (5) tort claims pending at the close of this reporting period claim significant damages over \$100,000. There were no (0) contract claims pending at the end of this reporting period.

3. Administrative Agencies

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Four (4) new complaints were filed this period, one (1) with the US Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights Office and three (3) claims were filed with the Iowa Civil Rights Commission.

4. Workers' Compensation Claims

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of claims for workers' compensation remains near the average.

5. Internal Discrimination Complaints

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Seven (7) investigations against faculty and/or staff were active during this term, however only one (1) remains pending at the close of the reporting period.

6. Faculty and P&S Grievances and Disciplinary Cases

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Of the three (3) faculty matters, two (2) matters remain pending at the close of the reporting period. Four (4) P&S disciplinary cases/grievances were received during this reporting period.

7. Merit Grievances

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: There were no (0) grievances active during this reporting period.

University of Northern Iowa

Executive Summary: The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to the University of Northern Iowa for the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 reporting period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/16	06/17	12/17	06/18	12/18	06/19	12/19
1. Litigation	7	6	3	3	5	5	6
2. Tort and Contract Claims	2	0	1	7	5	6	2
3. Administrative Agencies	2	3	3	2	2	1	2
4. Workers' Compensation	84	61	64	78	61	72	55
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	14	12	10	13	15	18	22
6. Faculty & P&S Grievances & Discipline	0	1	0	0	0	2	1
7. Merit Grievances	7	5	2	2	0	1	44

1. Litigation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of lawsuits increased slightly from the prior period. There are no apparent trends evidenced by the issues presented in the cases. One (1) of the six (6) cases involves all of the Regents universities.

2. Tort and Contract Claims

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of claims for the period decreased in comparison to the prior period. The number of claims is consistent with or slightly lower than the experience of the University during prior periods. No trends are identified or apparent by the number or types of these claims.

3. Administrative Agencies

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of complaints filed outside of the University, with administrative agencies, is fairly consistent with prior period. There is no trend(s) evident in this category.

4. Workers' Compensation Claims

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of workers' compensation claims filed during the reporting period decreased slightly in comparison with the prior period. The number of claims is slightly lower than prior periods. There are no readily apparent trends in the workers' compensation claims data but the number will be watched to help determine if additional University action is necessary and/or appropriate in this area.

5. Internal Discrimination Complaints/Investigations

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of complaints reflected in this category increased from the prior periods. Most of the complaints relate to Title IX. The University continues to strive to handle these complaints in a timely and appropriate manner, and will continue to review this area and these types of cases for any indication of trends and/or need for changes or improvements.

6. Faculty and P&S Grievances and Disciplinary Cases

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of grievances or cases in this category decreased from the prior period by one (1). The number of grievances is not large and is fairly consistent with prior periods. No trend or consistent issue is reflected by the grievances in this category.

7. Merit Grievances

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of Merit employee grievances increased significantly from the prior periods. All of the grievances relate to the same issue. At this point, all of the outstanding grievances are currently being handled or considered in the BOR office. The University will continue to review grievances in this area for trends or other issues.

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Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School

Executive Summary: The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School for the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 time period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/16	06/17	12/17	06/18	12/18	06/19	12/19
1. Litigation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Contract and Tort Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Administrative Agencies	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Workers' Compensation	2	4	1	2	5	2	0
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Faculty and P&S Grievances & Discipline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. Merit Grievances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

During the current reporting period, IBSSS had no (0) claims.

Iowa School for the Deaf

Executive Summary: The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to the Iowa School for the Deaf for the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 time period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/16	06/17	12/17	06/18	12/18	06/19	12/19
1. Litigation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Contract and Tort Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Administrative Agencies	3	0	2	1	0	0	0
4. Workers' Compensation	6	3	3	5	3	3	6
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Faculty and P&S Grievances & Discipline	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. Merit Grievances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

4. Workers' Compensation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: ISD had six (6) workers compensation claims during this period. There were no (0) missed time claims during this period. Workers compensation claims continue to be low at ISD.