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## SEMI-ANNUAL CLAIMS ACTIVITY REPORTS: JULY 1, 2022 - DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>Action Requested</u>: Receive the semi-annual claims activity reports for the period of July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

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

- (1) Lawsuits<sup>1</sup>;
- (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.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022 time period and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/19	6/20	12/20	6/21	12/21	6/22	12/22
1. Litigation	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
2. Contract and Tort Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Administrative Agencies	0	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

## 1. Litigation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: During this reporting period one (1) new lawsuit involving an administrative agency matter was filed. No discernable trends have been identified.

## 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022 time period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/19	06/20	12/20	06/21	12/21	06/22	12/22
1. Litigation	19	24	26	20	12	14	16
2. Contract and Tort Claims	27/4	27/3	23/2	23/1	14/0	2/2	2/1
3. Administrative Agencies	27	28	30	32	44	25	18
4. Workers' Compensation	838	638	668	661	704	603	652
5. Internal Discrimination							
Complaints	8	12	2	7	12	20	15
6. Faculty and P&S Grievances &							
Discipline	3	2	2	1	2	3	3
7. Merit Grievances	19	18	13	12	13	8	10
8. UIHC Tort Claims	26	28	36	44	33	23	28
9. UIHC Lawsuits	25	24	22	22	26	24	29

# 1. Litigation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: This report includes a listing of all law-suits that were still pending on December 31, 2022. Two (2) 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, 2022, there are sixteen (16) pending lawsuits. No discernable trend can be identified.

## 2. Contract and Tort Claims

Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence:

<u>Tort Claims</u>: This report includes a listing of all tort claims that were pending at any time during the period of July - December 2022. During this reporting period, seven (7) claims were denied/recommended for denial, withdrawn or settled and will be deleted from the next report. Five (5) new tort claims were filed during this period. As of December 31, 2022, there is one (1) pending tort claim. No discernible trend can be identified.

<u>Contract Claims:</u> This report includes a listing of thirteen (13) claims. During this period, eleven (11) contract claims were paid. Zero (0) were filed. Zero (0) were amended. There are two (2) 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 administratively closed in this time period and three (3) new claims were filed. As of December 31, 2022, eighteen (18) cases were pending.

## 4. Workers' Compensation Claims

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

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## 5. Internal Discrimination Complaints

Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence: The number of pending cases during this reporting period is fifteen (15).

## 6. Faculty and P&S Grievances and Disciplinary Cases

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

#### 7. Merit Grievances

Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence: There were seven (7) grievances filed during this reporting period. The number of active cases is ten (10).

## 8. UIHC Tort Claims<sup>2</sup>

Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence: During this period, sixteen (16) tort claims were denied, withdrawn or settled and will be deleted from the next report. Eight (8) of these tort claims have now been filed as lawsuits (and are also listed in that section of the report). Twelve (12) new tort claims were filed during this period. As of December 31, 2022, there are twenty-eight (28) pending tort claims.

## 9. UIHC Lawsuits

Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence: Five (5) lawsuits were dismissed, settled or otherwise adjudicated during this period and will be deleted from the next report. Eleven (11) new lawsuits were filed during this period. As of December 31, 2022, there are twenty-nine (29) pending lawsuits.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Does not include small claims addressed by UIHC pursuant to a 28E Agreement with the Department of Justice. During this reporting period, zero (0) 28E Agreement tort claims were 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022 time period and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/19	06/20	12/20	06/21	12/21	06/22	12/22
1. Litigation	10	10	8	7	9	7	8
2. Contract and Tort Claims	11	9	12	16	14	14	16
3. Administrative Agencies	8	8	8	7	10	4	6
4. Workers' Compensation	156	118	123	113	115	136	152
5. Internal Discrimination							
Complaints	7	2	0	0	0	4	9
6. Faculty and P&S Grievances &							
Discipline	9	14	9	10	10	13	15
7. Merit Grievances	0	0	2	1	1	0	0

## 1. Litigation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: In this reporting period, three (3) new lawsuits were filed. Two (2) matters are scheduled for trial in 2023.

#### 2. Contract and Tort Claims

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: There are four (4) tort claims pending at the close of this reporting period that claim significant damages over \$100,000. There are zero (0) contract claims currently on file.

## 3. Administrative Agencies

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Three (3) new complaints were filed during this reporting period.

#### 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>: Four (4) internal discrimination complaints remain pending at the close of this reporting period.

# 6. Faculty and P&S Grievances and Disciplinary Cases

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Of the thirteen (13) faculty matters, five (5) matters remain pending at the close of the reporting period. Two (2) P&S disciplinary cases were received during this reporting period.

## 7. Merit Grievances

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: Zero (0) merit grievances were filed 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, 2022 through December 31, 2022 reporting period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/19	06/20	12/20	06/21	12/21	06/22	12/22
1. Litigation	6	6	7	7	3	2	4
2. Tort and Contract Claims	2	7	2	1	1	5	0
3. Administrative Agencies	2	1	2	6	7	5	6
4. Workers' Compensation	55	46	38	35	53	65	53
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	22	11	5	5	8	9	2
6. Faculty & P&S Grievances &							
Discipline	1	1	1	2	3	4	3
7. Merit Grievances	44	42	0	0	0	0	0

#### 1. Litigation

<u>Developments</u>, <u>Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of lawsuits increased slightly for the current reporting period. There are no apparent trends evidenced by the issues presented in the cases. One (1) of the four (4) 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 this period decreased but might be considered similar to the number of claims in the past periods. No trends are identified or apparent by the number of claims. The University will continue to review the numbers of these claims and types of cases moving forward in case further action is determined to be needed.

## 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 in comparison with prior periods. The University will continue to review the claims in this category to determine if there are any trends or consistent issues requiring additional work.

## 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 immediately prior period. However, the number of claims is not inconsistent with past experience. There are no readily apparent trends relating to the workers' compensation claims data at this time but the university will continue to review the numbers and types of cases.

## 5. Internal Discrimination Complaints/Investigations

<u>Developments</u>, <u>Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: The number of internal complaints decreased from the prior period. The University strives to handle all of these complaints in a timely and appropriate manner, and will continue to review this area and these types of complaints 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 slightly from the prior period. The number of grievances or appeals is not large. 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 was the same as the immediately prior periods. The University will continue to review grievances in this area for trends or other issues.

# Iowa Educational Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired

**Executive Summary:** The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to the Iowa Educational Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired for the July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 time period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/19	06/20	12/20	06/21	12/21	06/22	12/22
1. Litigation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Contract and Tort Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Administrative Agencies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Workers' Compensation	0	1	2	0	1	2	1
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	0	0	2	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, IESBVI had one (1) workers compensation claim.

## **lowa School for the Deaf**

**Executive Summary:** The following table summarizes the number of cases, claims, complaints and grievances applicable to the lowa School for the Deaf for the July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 time period, and compares those numbers to prior periods.

Type of Claim Pending	12/19	06/20	12/20	06/21	12/21	06/22	12/22
1. Litigation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Contract and Tort Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Administrative Agencies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Workers' Compensation	6	5	1	5	4	5	7
5. Internal Discrimination Complaints	0	0	0	0	1	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

## 4. Workers' Compensation

<u>Developments, Trends and Reasons for Occurrence</u>: ISD had seven (7) workers compensation claims during this period.