

**LEGAL & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS** 

## Working with Legal and Government Affairs

#### Office of the General Counsel

- Prepares MOUs, Affiliation Agreements, Partnerships Agreements and other Contracts
  - All contracts must be reviewed and approved for legal sufficiency by the General Counsel
  - Contracts must be reviewed by appropriate Cabinet Member *prior* to review by General Counsel
  - Submit contracts to <a href="mailto:generalcounsel@bowiestate.edu">generalcounsel@bowiestate.edu</a>
  - > Contracts may only be signed by the President or designated Cabinet Member
  - > Allow at least 10 days for contract review
- Provides legal advice and counsel to the President and Cabinet
- Develops and updates university policies
- Coordinates compliance efforts
- Responds to all subpoenas and requests under the Maryland Public Information Act
- Receives reports of known or suspected child abuse per USM Policy
- Contact: Talia Wright, Esq. (<u>twright@bowiestate.edu</u>); x2-4521

### **Office of Equity Compliance**

- Investigates complaints of discrimination
- Enforces Title IX/Sexual Misconduct Policy
- Conducts anti-discrimination training and training on child abuse reporting
- Facilitates accommodations for faculty and staff with disabilities
- Supports diversity and inclusion initiatives
- Responsible for Affirmative Action Plan
- Located in Library Room 247
- Contact: Adonna Green, Esq. (<u>agreen@bowiestate.edu</u>); x2-3442

#### **Government Relations**

- University's official liaison to county, state and federal government
  - Faculty and staff should coordinate invitations to elected officials through our office
- Prepares budget testimony and appearances before General Assembly in Annapolis
- Promotes University's interests to elected officials and agencies
- Secures letters of support for federal grants
- Contact: Derrick Coley (<u>dcoley@bowiestate.edu</u>); x2-4076

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