



Policy Chapter: Chapter 7 Student Affairs

Policy Number and Title: 07.021 Legal Services

I. Policy Statement

UNT’s Student Legal Services Office (SLS) provides students with access to licensed attorneys who are active members of the State Bar of Texas. SLS provides legal advice regarding students’ legal rights, and at times, may represent students in legal disputes. Educational materials such as reference books, pamphlets, and articles are also available in this office.

II. Application of Policy

All UNT Students

III. Responsibilities

A. No Representation for Criminal Cases, Disputes Between Students, or Disputes with the University

SLS does not represent students in criminal cases, disputes with other students, or disputes with the University. Advice and representation are free to UNT students, but if litigation is necessary, students will be advised of court costs for which they will be responsible to pay.

B. Mandatory Reporting of Sexual Misconduct

The SLS attorneys are University employees and also considered employees of the State of Texas. As employees of the State of Texas, SLS attorneys are mandatory reporters required to report to the Title IX Coordinator or deputy Title IX Coordinator any information they may receive from a student regarding sexual misconduct. SLS attorneys are additionally designated as Confidential Employees. This means that SLS attorneys can only report the type of sexual misconduct disclosed by a student, but not any other identifying information that would be protected by the confidentiality rules of the attorney-client privilege.

IV. References and Cross-References

[UNT Policy 16.005, Prohibition Against Sexual Misconduct and Retaliation](#)
[Texas Education Code § 51.252](#)

V. Revision History

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