

### The Office of the General Counsel

- Advises the USU Board of Regents and the USU President on issues which may have legal significance to USU
- Represents USU on controversial legal issues with the military departments, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and other Government agencies
- Advises USU faculty, staff, and students on legal issues (e.g., issues involving contract law, personnel law, regulation of biomedical research, FOIA, the Privacy Act, and government ethics/standards of conduct)
- Conducts legal research and prepares opinions in a wide variety of cases, projects or problems in which USU is or may be involved
- Provides liaison to outside counsel representing USU before various adjudicative bodies
- Instructs USU students in health law and other subjects where expertise in medicine, law, and ethics is required
- Provides legal assistance to USU students, staff, and faculty, including notary services and preparation of legal documents (uniformed personnel and family members)
- Prepares USU's position on proposed legislation and testimony and accompanies USU witnesses, as appropriate, in appearances before Congress
- Provides technology transfer and intellectual property support through the Joint (USU & HJF) Office of Technology Transfer (JOTT)