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Services of the Office of Counsel are available through e-mail, telephone discussion, face-to-face discussion, and memoranda of opinion, as appropriate. Appointments are available by calling 824-6633. E-mail addresses for the attorneys are as follows: Bob Rieder - riederr@email.uah.edu; John Cates - catesj@email.uah.edu; and Bill Woodward - woodwaw@email.uah.edu.

In those instances where services available from the Office of Counsel are needed outside of normal business hours, you may contact an attorney as follows: Bob Rieder at 533-7430 (Home) or 698-2025 (Cell); John Cates at 851-1713 (Home) or 698-2026 (Cell) ; Bill Woodward at 880-7813 (Home) or 698-2024 (Cell).

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