This guide provides links to relevant laws and policies of the CU Regents, administrative policy statements, and other guidelines that apply to or may be of interest to officers and university staff (formerly exempt professionals). The content in this guide supersedes the previous online handbook and paper version of the "Unclassified Handbook," dated 1985.

Disclaimer: The information in the Officers and University Staff Handbook is provided for the convenience of members of the University of Colorado community. Although these policies and statements cover a wide variety of subjects, there are other important policies and procedures that should be consulted as the need arises. This resource guide cannot and is not intended to address all circumstances related to officers and university staff, nor is this information intended to constitute an express or implied contract of employment with the University of Colorado.

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