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**Policy Change Cover Sheet**

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| **This form must be attached to each policy presented. All areas in red, including the header, must be completed; if not, it will be sent back to you for completion.** | | |
|  | *I****f the changes you are requesting include housekeeping, please submit those changes to*** [***ndsu.policy.manual@ndsu.edu***](mailto:ndsu.policy.manual@ndsu.edu) ***first so that a clean policy can be presented to the committees.*** | |
| **SECTION**: | Section 712: Contract Review | |
| 1. **Effect of policy addition or change (explain the important changes in the policy or effect of this policy). Briefly describe the changes that are being made to the policy and the reasoning behind the requested change(s).** | | |
| * Is this a federal or state mandate?  Yes  No * Describe change: Housekeeping - Updating the policy to state the correct name of the Office of the Vice President for Research and Creative Activity | | |
| 1. **This policy change was originated by (individual, office or committee/organization):** | | |
| * The Office of the Vice President for Research and Creative Activity, February 18, 2015 * Sheri Anderson: [sheri.anderson@ndsu.edu](mailto:sheri.anderson@ndsu.edu); Cassie Johnson: cassandra.j.johnson@ndsu.edu | | |
| ***This portion will be completed by Mary Asheim.***  Note: Items routed as information by SCC will have date that policy was routed listed below. | | |
| 1. **This policy has been reviewed/passed by the following (include dates of official action):** | | |
| **Senate Coordinating Committee:** | |  |
| **Faculty Senate:** | |  |
| **Staff Senate:** | |  |
| **Student Government:** | |  |
| **President’s Cabinet:** | |  |

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**SECTION 712**

**CONTRACT REVIEW**

### SOURCE: NDSU President SBHE Policy Manual, Section 840

1. Any contractual agreement involving North Dakota State University must be signed by the President and/or the Vice President for Finance and Administration, or their designated representative or as otherwise stated in Section 2.
2. The following positions have contractual authority in the stated areas:

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| Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs | academic agreements |
| Vice President for Agriculture and University Extension | entitlement programs such as Hatch and McIntire-Stennis funds and USDA/CSRS noncompetitive grants; Extension Service funds such as Smith-Lever funds |
| Vice President for Equity, Diversity and Global Outreach | agreements related to Equity, Diversity & Global Outreach's mission such as grants and/or international agreements |
| Vice President for Information Technology or Dean, NDSU Libraries | software site licensing contracts |
| Vice President for Research and Creative Activity | research grants and contracts and technology transfer documents |
| Vice President for Student Affairs | student affairs agreements |
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| Director, Division of Fine Arts | Reineke Fine Arts and Askanase Hall use |
| Director of Purchasing | purchase agreements and leases |
| State Forester | Cooperative Forestry Assistance funds |

1. Delegated authority to sign as a designated representative shall be in writing and submitted to the President. All contracts and contract amendments, must be approved by University General Counsel pursuant to State Board of Higher Education Policy 840. Any contract document, lease agreement, etc., not bearing an authorized signature will not be binding to the University. General Counsel approved form contracts don't need further approval unless they are changed.
2. Written delegation must specify area of contract authority by position and/or name and be reviewed by the delegator when person in that position changes.

For more information regarding contract review, see [SBHE Policy 840](http://www.ndus.edu/makers/procedures/sbhe/default.asp?PID=35&SID=9) and [NDUS Procedure 840](http://www.ndus.edu/makers/procedures/ndus/default.asp?PID=297&SID=60).

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