PROCEDURES FOR APPEAL OF DECISIONS

If a faculty member believes that the department chair has not put forward a recommendation for reappointment or promotion at an appropriate time or in the appropriate activity component(s), the faculty member may appeal to the Dean (who may consult with an ad hoc committee), whose decision, following review of the case, will be final. In situations in which a final decision on a department chair's recommendation has been made but in which the faculty member believes that the promotion or the reappointment process had procedural irregularities or bias, an appeal can be made according to the procedures described in the Faculty Handbook of the University in the section on "General Grievance Procedure". The appeal must be initiated within four weeks of the time the final decision on promotion is mailed to the faculty member. **The appeal procedure described in the Faculty Handbook applies equally to faculty with tenure or term appointments.**