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Dear UA Community,

I am pleased to tell you that Chad Hutchison will join the UA team as the Director of State Relations as of Jan. 4. Chad has been the Alaska Senate Majority Counsel since January 2013, and has consistent, proven experience with the development and passage of legislation. Chad is known for maintaining strong, trustworthy, meaningful relationships within the Legislature and the executive branch.

He has been a licensed, practicing attorney since 2007 and started his career in private practice at Cook, Schuhmann and Groseclose (CSG) in Fairbanks. As Senate Majority Counsel, part of his responsibilities included legal analysis, advocacy and communicating on a wide variety of topics that affect all of Alaska.

His skill set will be essential as we continue to demonstrate the value our universities bring to every industry and community in the state. He believes the two most important things in life for developing successful people are “education” and “family.” In his view, the universities provide both to our students.

Chad was born and raised in Fairbanks, Alaska. He graduated from UAF with a Bachelor of Business Administration with an emphasis on management. He earned his law degree from Gonzaga University.

Please join me in welcoming Chad.

Sincerely,
Pat Pitney
UA Interim President