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Unions Launch Debt Ceiling Ad War on GOP

Wall Street Journal Online, 7/29/2011

The ad buy, which falls in the “low six-figures” according a group spokesman, will run Friday through Monday on local networks against Sen. Dean Heller (R., Nev.), Majority Leader Eric Cantor and six House Republicans, some of whom are top targets for Democrats in 2012.

Come Fly the Union Skies

WSJ Online, 7/29/2011

Mr. LaHood also invoked the plight of the 4,000 FAA employees and 70,000 construction workers. But someone should ask him why he and the White House are willing to let those workers hang while they do another favor for organized labor.

The White House vs. Boeing

Wall Street Journal Online, 7/28/2011

In a formal statement of Administration policy, the White House opposed a bill sponsored by South Carolina Rep. Tim Scott that would reduce the power of the NLRB and prohibit it "from ordering any employer to relocate, shut down, or transfer employment under any circumstance." Translation: Mr. Obama intends to guard the NLRB for his union allies, but if no one notices, all the better.

Board Finds that Employer and Union Violated the NLRA by Discriminating Against Unrepresented Employees

Labor Relations Counsel Online, 7/28/2011

In a decision issued on June 30, 2011, the National Labor Relations Board ruled that Interstate Bakeries Corp. and Teamsters Local 523 violated the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA)’s prohibition against discrimination against employees on the basis of union or nonunion status by protecting the seniority of union-represented employees during a merger of bargaining units, while placing the only non-represented employee being merged into the newly combined unit at the bottom of the seniority list. Interstate Bakeries Corp., 357 NLRB No. 4 (2011).

Worker Advocate Asks Federal Labor Board to Uphold Precedent Disallowing Forced Unionization of Grad Students

National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation, 7/29/2011

Washington, DC (July 29, 2011) – The National Right to Work Foundation filed an amicus curiae ("friend of the court") brief with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) asking the Board to uphold its long-standing precedent to disallow union officials to corral university graduate students working as teaching assistants into unwanted union affiliation.

Boeing Asks ALJ for Protective Order To Shield Confidential Company Information

Daily Labor Report Online, 7/28/2011

SEATTLE—Boeing Co. attorneys July 28 asked a National Labor Relations Board administrative law judge for an order protecting its “sensitive business, commercial and proprietary information” in a case that will determine whether the company unlawfully moved 787 Dreamliner assembly work to a nonunion plant in South Carolina (Boeing Co., NLRB ALJ, No. 19-CA-32431, hearing 7/28/11).

Solomon, House Panel Reach Impasse Over Disclosure of NLRB's Boeing Case File

Daily Labor Report Online, 7/28/2011

National Labor Relations Board Acting General Counsel Lafe E. Solomon did not meet the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee's July 26 deadline for turning over additional documents concerning a controversial unfair labor practice case against Boeing Co., and Rep. Darrell Issa (R-Calif.) is now “considering all options including compulsory process” to obtain the documents, a spokesman said.

GOP Senators Propose NLRA Amendment Fixing Minimum Time to Representation Votes

Daily Labor Report Online 7/28/2011

Sen. Jim DeMint (R-S.C.) and six co-sponsors proposed legislation (S. 1425) July 27 that would prevent the National Labor Relations Board from conducting an election to resolve a question of union representation of workers less than 40 calendar days after the board received a petition for such an election.