



Worker Rights Advocate Blasts Obama's Unprecedented Recess Appointments to the NLRB

National Right to Work Foundation, 1/04/2012

Washington, DC (January 4, 2012) - Mark Mix, President of the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation, issued the following statement in response to President Obama's unprecedented NLRB recess appointments:

Why US should cheer for Scott Walker

USA Today Online, 1/05/2012

Here's why the stakes in Wisconsin are so high. Public employee unions understand that the legitimacy of collective bargaining privileges is now in question, as cash-strapped states struggle under the burden of a costly public sector. If they can knock off Walker, they send a powerful signal to other reform-oriented governors not to target collective bargaining.

Indiana House leader plans fast start for 'right-to-work' bill that spurred walkout last year

Associated Press Online, 1/03/2012

"There's nowhere we are we closer than we are in Indianapolis," said Greg Mourad, vice president of the National Right to Work Committee, which pushes the measure in Statehouse's across the country.

Mich. child-care workers lose union lawsuit

money.msn.com, 1/05/2012

"We're disappointed with the judge's decision and foundation staff attorneys are planning to appeal," said Patrick Semmens, a spokesman for the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation, which filed the lawsuit.

Anti-Union Laws Rejected

Spokesman.com, 1/04/2012

The state raised several procedural issues, which the judge rejected. The Inland Pacific Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors and the National Right to Work Legal Foundation both filed briefs in support of the new laws.

Wisconsin Governor Walker: Unions Want Me Dead

Washington Times Online, 1/06/2012

“They want me dead. I don’t think that’s an exaggeration,” Mr. Walker said in an exclusive interview with The Washington Times after a roundtable discussion Thursday at the American Enterprise Institute.

Union-Law Fight Has Indiana’s Legislature Mired in Limbo

Bloomberg Business Week Online, 1/05/2012

Although 22 states have enacted the ban, none have in the industrial Midwest, according to the National Right-to-Work Legal Defense Foundation Inc. Oklahoma was the last state to enact a right-to-work law, in 2001. Democrats say the laws lower paychecks for working families.

Court Enjoins School Board From Banning All Communication Between Itself and Union

Daily Labor Report Online, 1/05/2012

The U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee enjoined Dec. 29 a Sumner County, Tenn., school board from banning communications between the board and a teachers union, except for communications between their attorneys, finding the union showed a strong likelihood of success on its First Amendment free speech claim (*Walls v. Sumner Cnty. Bd. of Educ.*, M.D. Tenn., No. 11-848, 12/29/11).

President to Appoint Three NLRB Members, Giving Board a Quorum, Democratic Majority

Daily Labor Report Online, 01/04/2012

Obama will appoint as board members Terence F. Flynn (R), Sharon Block (D), and Richard Griffin (D). The president nominated Flynn to the board Jan. 5, 2011, and Block and Griffin Dec. 15, 2011, but the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee has not acted on any of the nominations.

GOP overrides veto of bill to weaken teachers group

Charlotte Observer Online, 1/05/2012

RALEIGH Just after 1 a.m. today, in a session critics called unconstitutional, Republican legislative leaders passed a bill aimed at weakening the state's largest teachers association.

In U.S., a Cheaper Labor Pool

Wall Street Journal Online, 1/06/2012

Trying to persuade locked-out workers in Canada to accept a sharp cut in pay, Caterpillar Inc. is citing lower wages elsewhere. But instead of pointing to the usual models of cheap and pliant labor, such as China or Mexico, it is using a more surprising example: the U.S.