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## Recess Labor Board Appointment Brings Unions Closer to “Card Check”

*President Obama circumvents will of Senate, recess appoints controversial nominee*

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — On March 27, the wishes of the people vis a vs the U.S. Senate were overturned by the President as he recess appointed his controversial nominee to the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), Craig Becker. Mr. Becker has expressed radical views about the relationship between employers, employees and union representation and how he plans to use his power on the Board.

Mr. Becker believes that employers should be prohibited from exposing criminal conduct by unions during these elections. It appears Mr. Becker would likely bar employers from most NLRB proceedings saying:

“On these latter issues employers should have no right to be heard in either a representation case or an unfair labor practice case, even though Board rulings might indirectly affect their duty to bargain.”

Just as Mr. Becker views employers as obstacles to increased unionization, he similarly views workers ability to democratically choose union representation as problematic:

“Just as U.S. Citizens cannot opt against having a congressman, workers should not be able to choose against having a union as their monopoly-bargaining agent.”

“It is very likely that Mr. Becker will change the union election timetable implementing ‘quickie’ or ‘ambush’ elections overnight,” says AWF executive director Brian Johnson. “Becker will use the NLRB to help unions get more card check certifications by ignoring or dismissing the complaints filed by employers and individual workers, giving the unions a much freer hand to use intimidation and coercion to gather signatures – pressuring employers to accept the signatures over actual employee votes.”

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