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NLRB CASES WILL NOW GRIND TO A HALT



Trump Administration Ousts Top Labor Board Leaders Who Backed Broader Worker Rights in 'unprecedented and illegal' move

The Trump Administration has fired, Gwynne Wilcox, a member and former chair of the National Labor Relations Board, triggering a chorus of criticism from unions and in effect paralyzing the body until a replacement is confirmed. Her term was due to continue until August 2028. Jennifer Abruzzo, the NLRB's general counsel, was also fired.

NLRB's rulings on important worker rights and organizing cases will now grind to a halt because her removal leaves the board with only two members, and leaves it without a quorum of three members required to issue decisions, per a 2010 Supreme Court decision.

"Right now, there's no protection for the right to collectively bargain, to be in a union, in this country," said Sharon Block, a professor at Harvard Law School and a former member of the N.L.R.B. "This is a really serious situation."

Rand Paul Says He'll Vote Against Trump's Labor Secretary Nominee Because 'She's Very Pro Labor'

Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY) announced that he would vote against President Donald Trump's nominee for secretary of labor, Lori Chavez-DeRemer.

Rand Paul said he would vote "no" on Chavez-DeRemer's confirmation and suggested that the decision came down to her "very pro-labor" views. "I think she'll lose 15 Republicans and she'll get 25 Democrats."

Pro-business and anti-union groups quickly expressed concern over the nomination, including the Coalition for a Democratic Workplace, which said it was "alarmed" by Trump's decision.

Fox News contributor Katie Pavlich urged Republicans in the Senate to "vote this nomination down." "A co-sponsor of the Pro-Act as Labor Secretary? **Absolutely not,**" she said.