

75 YEARS AND COUNTING: A CURRENT PERSPECTIVE ON THE NLRA



**A Luncheon Seminar offered by
Region 11 of the National Labor
Relations Board and the ABA
Committee on Practice and
Procedure under the NLRA**



Friday, November 19, 2010
11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Holiday Inn Select
5790 University Parkway
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the passage of the National Labor Relations Act. The past 75 years have seen sweeping changes in the labor and employment environment, in the national economy, and in the law. Come hear newly-confirmed Board Member Mark Gaston Pearce share his views on where the current Board finds itself, and on the critical issues it will now be facing as, for the first time in over two years, there is a quorum for decision-making.

The program will feature a presentation by Board Member Pearce, as well as responses from a panel of labor and management practitioners who have practiced before Region 11 and the Board. Fred Suggs, Shareholder in the Ogletree Deakins firm in Greenville, South Carolina, will respond on behalf of the management bar; and Dave Prouty, now Chief Labor Counsel for the Major League Baseball Players Association and former General Counsel for UNITE! and UNITE HERE!, will respond on behalf of labor. The impact of the recent United States Supreme Court decision in *New Process Steel* will be just one of many topics covered, as will an overview of the substantive legal issues currently pending before the Board. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions.

The event also marks the 60th anniversary of the creation of Region 11, a region that historically has encompassed the coal, textile, furniture, rubber, and meat processing industries. The program will include a brief overview of the significant cases originating from Region 11 over the years, as well as of the changing trends the Region currently sees in case filings within its jurisdiction.

In all, the seminar will provide a unique opportunity to meet a current Board member, to discuss cutting edge issues in labor law, and to meet with other labor and management representatives, as well as Board personnel, in an informal setting. The North Carolina Board of Continuing Legal Education has approved the program for 1.25 hours of CLE credit.

The program registration fee is \$25, which includes lunch. To register, please go to <http://www.constangy.com/communications-events.html>. For any questions, you may contact Jacqueline Jones, NLRB Region 11, 336-631-5248.

PROGRAM AGENDA

- 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Registration
- 11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Welcome; Introductions
- Willie L. Clark, Jr., Regional Director, Region 11
Michael G. Okun, Co-Chair, Region VIII of ABA
Committee on Practice and Procedure under the NLRA
- 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. History of Region 11
- Jane P. North, Deputy Regional Director, Region 11
- 12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Reflections on the NLRA--Past, Present and Future
- Mark Gaston Pearce, National Labor Relations
Board Member
- 1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Management Perspective
- Fred W. Suggs, Jr., Shareholder, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash,
Smoak and Stewart, P.C., Greenville, SC
- 1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Union Perspective
- David M. Prouty, Chief Labor Counsel, Major League
Baseball Players Association
- 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Questions and Answers
- 2:00 p.m. Adjournment

[A brief meeting between members of the private bar and Region 11 management, under the auspices of the Committee, will follow the adjournment of the program.]