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Richard F. Griffin, Jr.

Richard F. Griffin, Jr. was sworn in as General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board on November 4, 2013 for a four year term. Prior to becoming General Counsel, Mr. Griffin served as a Board Member from January 9, 2012 through August 2, 2013.

Mr. Griffin previously served as General Counsel for International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE). He also served on the board of directors for the AFL-CIO Lawyers Coordinating Committee, a position he held since 1994. Since 1983, he has held a number of leadership positions with IUOE from Assistant House Counsel to Associate General Counsel. From 1985 to 1994, Mr. Griffin served as a member of the board of trustees of the IUOE's central pension fund. From 1981 to 1983, he served as a Counsel to NLRB Board Members. Mr. Griffin holds a B.A. from Yale University and a J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law.



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Amy Gladstein

Amy Gladstein is one of the founding partners of Gladstein, Reif & Meginniss. She has litigated an array of issues under the National Labor Relations Act, the Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act and other statutes impacting workers' rights to organize and to participate in labor organizations.

Since 2002, Ms. Gladstein has been responsible for directing the new organizing program for 1199 SEIU. In this capacity, she has negotiated and enforced numerous election procedure agreements, providing mechanisms for workers to choose representation in a free and fair manner, and developed and directed strategic organizing campaigns.

Ms. Gladstein graduated from Oberlin College and New York University Law School. After law school, Ms. Gladstein worked as a field attorney at Region 2 of the National Labor Relations Board for two years before leaving to found the firm.



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Ronald Meisburg

Ronald Meisburg is a partner at Proskauer resident in Washington, D.C. He is co-chair of Proskauer's labor-management relations practice group.

Ronald was previously General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for over four years and a Board Member for one year. Before that he was a management labor lawyer for twenty-three years and with the Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of Labor, for six years.

Ronald shares a distinction with General Counsel Griffin: they are the only two persons in the history of the NLRB to have been nominated by the President for—and served as – both Board Member and General Counsel.