

# Conflict of Interest Causes NLRB to Vacate Pro-Corporation Ruling



The National Labor Relations Board threw out its most important ruling of 2017 – a 3-2 victory for major U.S. corporations – following an internal agency report that found that a potential conflict-of-interest had tainted the vote, reports Bloomberg, via the *Chicago Tribune*.

Bloomberg reporter explains that the discarded ruling, called *Hy-Brand*, had reversed a controversial Obama-era “joint employer” decision empowering workers to pursue claims against, or seek collective bargaining with, major corporations that don’t sign their paychecks, such as franchisors or clients of contractors.

“The vote overturning that 2015 case included support from Trump-appointed William Emanuel, whose former law firm had represented one of the companies in the original case, Browning-Ferris,” Eidelson reports.

**Read the *Tribune* article.**