

# United Airlines Loses Challenge to Union Drive

Bloomberg reports that a vote on unionization by 2,700 United Airlines in-flight catering workers can proceed over the company's objections, the general counsel of the National Mediation Board ruled.

The hospitality union Unite Here had filed a petition, with support from three-quarters of United's kitchen workforce, seeking a vote, but the airline filed a complaint alleging fraud and misrepresentation by the union before the petition was filed, contending that Unite Here organizers had shown up at workers' homes claiming to be representatives of the airline conducting a poll, reports **Josh Eidelson**.

Eidelson reports that "NMB General Counsel Mary Johnson wrote that after interviewing employees, the agency's investigators had determined that 'there is no evidence that employees did not understand that Unite Here was a union and was not a representative of United.'"

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