

## **KPFK RESOLUTION ON ENDING PACIFICA'S EMPLOYMENT OF JACKSON LEWIS**

Subject: KPFK LSB motion on Jackson Lewis  
To: Arlene Englehardt  
Cc: Summer Reese

Motion Regarding Ending Pacifica's Employment of the Jackson Lewis Law Firm

Motion made by LSB Member Jim Lafferty (amended by Brazon and Wenger)

WHEREAS Pacifica is a humanistic radio network that has for more than 50 years supported workers' rights, including their right to organize a union; and

WHEREAS non-management employees of four of five the Pacific Foundation stations are unionized; and

WHEREAS the national office of the Pacifica Foundation has retained the law firm of Jackson Lewis; and

WHEREAS Jackson Lewis is a notorious nation-wide anti-union law firm that specializes in preventing employees from unionizing their employer and employing scare tactics to portray unions as an enemy of business, according to John Logan, writing in the British Journal of Industrial Relations 44 (December 2006): 659; and, according to one of Jackson Lewis's own lawyers, "Jackson Lewis was founded on the concept of preventive labor relations, and we want to help our clients before there's full blown organizing. We are a full-service law firm. We just don't do the legal stuff-we handle the campaign;" and

WHEREAS Jackson Lewis regularly conducts seminars for corporate America on how to stay union free, its next such seminar, entitled "Union Free," scheduled to take place in Chicago on April 19th, Las Vegas on May 2nd and New York City on May 23rd;

1) Therefore be it resolved that the KPFK Local Station Board calls for the Pacifica National Board and the Pacifica Executive Director to wind down all relationships with Jackson Lewis as quickly as possible, subject to prudent attention to the financial penalties of changing attorneys in ongoing litigation; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

2) in the hiring of any new law firm to represent the Pacifica Foundation in any matters whatsoever, no law firm known to be a firm representing and advising corporations and other businesses on how to prevent its workers from unionizing shall be employed by the Pacifica Foundation.

The amended Jackson Lewis motion passed by a roll call vote: Yes—13, No—0, Abstain—6.

Yes—Anderson, Argueta, Brazon, Cromsshow, Grewall, Isenberg, Lafferty, Medina, Merrick, Novick, Parker, Reyes, Wenger.

Abstain—Aaron, Blair, Kaufman, Lexa, Murray, Reese.

John P. Garry III  
KPFK LSB Secretary