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Trump Administration SCOTUS Brief Threatens Working People's Livelihoods

Statement by AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka on the Trump administration's brief to the Supreme Court on Janus v. AFSCME:

While President Trump boasts his support for working families, his administration is advocating a position in the United States Supreme Court that disregards decades of settled law and threatens our livelihoods. Yet again, his actions are failing his rhetoric and making clear that he has no intention of following through on his commitments to working people.

For more than forty years, through Republican and Democratic administrations, the law has recognized that unions and employers have the freedom to negotiate agreements under which everybody contributes his or her fair share. But now the Trump Administration is urging the Supreme Court to reverse this precedent and undermine working people and our unions. This is a shameful political payback to reward those who seek to do working people harm.

Arguing against our freedoms at work is not what working people expect of our government. Actions speak louder than words Mr. President, and these actions do not support working families as you so often claim.

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