

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Dunlop Commission Chairman and Harvard researcher David Weil Confirmed as U.S. Wage and Hour Administrator, U.S. Department of Labor**

Boston University Professor and Harvard researcher David Weil, the Chairman of the Dunlop Commission, an independent dispute settlement organization that oversees numerous innovative labor / management agreements in the agriculture sector, has been appointed by President Obama to serve as the US Wage and Hour Administrator in the Department of Labor. Dr. Weil was confirmed to the position by the U.S. Senate on April 28, 2014 and will begin his work as Wage and Hour Administrator early next month. Dr. Weil is currently the Peter and Deborah Wexler Professor of Management at the Boston University School of Management, Co-Director of the Transparency Policy Project at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, and a Senior Research Fellow at the Harvard Law School Labor and Worklife Program. He will be taking a leave of absence from Boston University and will resign all other posts including chairmanship of the Dunlop Commission to accept the Labor Department appointment.

“I am honored to have been nominated by President Obama to serve as Wage and Hour Administrator and grateful for my confirmation by the US Senate. I look forward to working on the many vital issues overseen by the agency to assure that working people receive a fair day's pay for a fair day's work.”

Weil also announced today that the Dunlop Commission has elected former Chairman of the National Labor Relations Board, Wilma Liebman, to replace him as Chair of the Dunlop Commission. Liebman is currently teaching law at the Cornell University Law School and School of Industrial and Labor Relations and consulting on labor law matters in Washington, DC. Liebman will join the labor / management members of the Dunlop Commission: Thomas Donahue, the former President and Secretary-Treasurer of the AFL-CIO and Richard Schubert, former President of Bethlehem Steel Corporation and US Deputy Secretary of Labor under President George H.W. Bush.

The Dunlop Commission is the parent organization that oversees state-level commissions which provide dispute resolution in agricultural collective bargaining agreements in Ohio, Michigan, and North Carolina between grower organizations and the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO. The Commission also serves as a forum for exploration of dispute resolution in other sectors involving workers excluded from coverage under workplace legislation.

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