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03/31/10 – Obama Recess Appointment to NLRB May Mean New Life for “Card Check”

Ignoring misgivings from his own party, President Obama has made an Easter recess appointment of Craig Becker to the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). Besides being a legal representative of the SEIU union of government workers he is an avowed advocate for and will likely pursue implementation of the so-called “card check” initiative (which would do away with the secret ballot traditionally used to form a union at a workplace) through regulation – notwithstanding its failure to garner legislative support even in the heavily Democrat controlled Senate. This would amount to a clear usurping of Congressional authority to make law and would represent another example of how to skirt the opinion of most Americans and use the “system” to plow forward on a precise agenda backed by powerful special interests.