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**ROBERTO CHAVARRY NAMED REGIONAL DIRECTOR
OF NLRB'S CHICAGO REGIONAL OFFICE**

Roberto G. Chavarry has been appointed Regional Director of the National Labor Relations Board's Regional Office in Chicago, IL (Region 13). He succeeds Elizabeth Kinney who retired last year. Mr. Chavarry had been serving since August 1996 as Regional Director of the NLRB's Regional Office in Indianapolis, IN (Region 25).

The NLRB administers and enforces the National Labor Relations Act. It conducts secret-ballot elections to determine whether employees desire union representation, and it investigates and remedies unfair labor practices.

As Regional Director in Chicago, Mr. Chavarry will supervise the processing of unfair labor practice and representation cases filed under the Act in the Illinois counties of Cook, Du Page, Kane, Lake and Will and the Indiana county of Lake.

In announcing the appointment, Chairman Robert J. Battista and General Counsel Arthur F. Rosenfeld stated:

Roberto Chavarry brings to this position substantial expertise that will enable him to carry on Chicago's tradition of strong leadership and effective enforcement of the Act. He is a gifted and highly motivated leader, who has been very active in the Agency's recruitment and outreach activities. As Director in Indianapolis, Mr. Chavarry earned the respect of his colleagues and a reputation among the parties with whom he has dealt as a principled and knowledgeable Agency manager. We expect he will have the same success in Chicago.

A native of Havana, Cuba, Mr. Chavarry joined the NLRB in 1972 as a Field Examiner in the Los Angeles, CA Regional Office (Region 21) and transferred to the newly opened San Diego, CA Resident Office in 1978. In 1989, Mr. Chavarry was promoted to Deputy to the Assistant General Counsel in the Division of Operations-Management, where he worked until his promotion to Assistant to the Regional Director in 1992 and Regional Director in 1996 in the Indianapolis Office.

Mr. Chavarry received his B.A. degree (1971) and his M.A. degree in Labor and Industrial Relations (1972) from the University of Illinois. He has taught labor relations and personnel management courses on a part-time basis at San Diego State University, the University of California-San Diego, and Webster University. Mr. Chavarry was president of the San Diego chapter of the Industrial Relations Research Association while in San Diego. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1963-1967.

Mr. Chavarry and his wife, Glenda, have three children, Rob, Lesley and Jason.

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