



Corruption-Free? Not so Fast

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July 24, 2014: Hoffa claims there’s no need for an anti-corruption body in our union because corruption is a thing of the past. Meanwhile, two Hoffa campaign donors have been busted this week on charges of stealing members’ dues and taking employer payoffs.

The Hoffa administration has retained two attorneys who formerly worked for President George W. Bush to try to end the members Right to Vote, and also the Independent Review Board (IRB).

The IRB independently investigates corruption in the Teamsters. The Hoffa administration says the IRB should be eliminated because Teamster corruption is a thing of the past.

That is news to Teamster members in Connecticut Local 1150 where the IRB has [charged the top official with embezzling union funds \(https://tdu.org/news/irb-charges-connecticut-local-1150-president-embezzlement\)](https://tdu.org/news/irb-charges-connecticut-local-1150-president-embezzlement) and in St. Louis area construction locals where the IRB has [caught a union representative taking payoffs \(https://tdu.org/news/st-louis-irb-charges-st-louis-bad-apple\)](https://tdu.org/news/st-louis-irb-charges-st-louis-bad-apple) in exchange for sweetheart contracts.

When TDU was founded organized crime dominated the Teamsters Union at its highest levels. There’s no doubt that Teamster corruption is down since then, but that is precisely because members have the Right to Vote and an independent anti-corruption watchdog.

TDU is organizing members to defend the Right to Vote and root out corruption in the union. If you share these goals, you can say so by [signing this petition \(https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/save-teamster-democracy\)](https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/save-teamster-democracy).

More coverage:

[IRB Charges Connecticut Local 1150 President \(https://tdu.org/news/irb-charges-connecticut-local-1150-president-embezzlement\)](https://tdu.org/news/irb-charges-connecticut-local-1150-president-embezzlement)

[IRB Charges St. Louis Bad Apple \(https://tdu.org/news/st-louis-irb-charges-st-louis-bad-apple\)](https://tdu.org/news/st-louis-irb-charges-st-louis-bad-apple)

[Petition: Don’t Let Hoffa End Fair Elections in the Teamsters \(http://tdu.org/news/dont-let-hoffa-end-fair-elections-teamsters\)](http://tdu.org/news/dont-let-hoffa-end-fair-elections-teamsters)

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