



July 13, 2015

**TO: REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENTS
BRANCHES & FACILITIES**

Lewis Gottheil Retained by CATCA as Legal Council and Advisor

In May of 2014, CATCA retained the services of Mr. Abe Rosner as council and advisor. At that time, Abe was in retirement and we retained his services on a temporary basis until a suitable replacement could be found. The replacement has been found and we are proud to tell the membership that Mr. Lewis Gottheil will begin to work with Mr. Rosner to assume the role of CATCA's legal counsel and advisor.

Lewis joined the CAW in 1990 as the founding member of the CAW's legal department when CAW leader Bob White decided to form an in-house legal department. Lewis was chief legal council for the CAW and most recently, Unifor. Recently retired after 25 years of service, Lewis is one of Canada's most prominent and respected labour lawyers. Although retired, Lewis has committed to working with CATCA for a number of years through his own recently established law office.

After graduating from the prestigious Osgoode Hall Law School in 1980, he was called to the bar in 1982. Prior to joining the CAW, Lewis was a partner in a law firm that had numerous union clients including the UAW, which became the CAW in 1985. Lewis is fluently bilingual.

CATCA members may remember Lewis as our representative when we argued our right to strike in front of the CIRB in 2002. Lewis was always at the forefront of many federal cases and represented many major players on the federal labour scene including CATCA and Air Canada. He has appeared before employment tribunals in all provinces in Canada and acted as counsel before all levels of courts in Canada including the Supreme Court. Extremely well versed in pensions, Mr. Gottheil was a key advisor to the CAW on pension matters.

We are extremely proud and honoured to welcome Mr. Lewis Gottheil to our team. We look forward to working with both Mr. Rosner and Mr. Gottheil to ensure our members' rights are always protected and defended.

In Solidarity;

Peter Duffey
President

Doug Best
Executive Vice President