

National Lawyers Guild

Labor & Employment Committee

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Re: Free Speech on Black Friday

To Workers and Their Allies:

For several years now, companies such as Walmart which benefit from nation-wide, mass commercial activities on Black Friday have indicated to workers and their allies that free speech on Black Friday will not be tolerated on or around their properties. To those companies, the National Lawyers Guild responds here directly: the right to buy and the right to sell are not greater rights than the First Amendment of the United States Constitution. Human rights – of which free speech is one – are and always will be more cherished values than their property rights.

The National Lawyers Guild is dedicated to the need for basic change in the structure of our political and economic system. We are dedicated to uniting the nation's lawyers, law students, and legal workers to function as an effective force in the service of the people and their voice.

This mission does not change on Black Friday. We stand with you.

In Solidarity,



Dean Hubbard, Chair
Labor & Employment Committee
of the National Lawyers Guild