



601 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Suite 900, South Building
Washington, D.C. 20004-2601
Tel: 202-220-3172 Toll-Free: 1-866-360-7197
Email: contact@nrln.org Website: www.nrln.org

Board of Directors

Bill Kadereit, President / **Robert Tompkins**, VP –
Secretary/Treasurer / **Judy Stenberg**, VP – Legislative Affairs /
Dana Oliver, VP Regulatory Affairs / **Joe Dombrowski**, VP -
Membership / **Bob Martina**, VP – Grassroots Network / **Joseph R.**
(Dick) Ciocca / **Martha Deahl** / **Chris Dyrda** / **Chuck Gilbert** /
Cynthia Hadsell / **Mike Stohlmeyer** / **Larry Smith**
Washington & Support Staff

Marta Bascom, Executive Director / **Michael Calabrese**, Legislative
Adviser / **Ed Beltram**, VP - Communications / **Joe Sciuilli**,
Webmaster

**The NRLN advocates the rights of more than 2 million
American retirees from...**

Aetna / Agere / Agilent / Albertson / American Airlines /
Ameritech/SBC / AMF / American Mutual / Amica Mutual /
Archdiocese of Boston / ARXE, Inc. / AT&T / Avaya / Avin Meritor /
Avon / Ball Aerospace / Baltimore Public Schools / Bell Atlantic /
Bell Helicopter / Bendix / BOC Group / Boeing / California State
Employees / Caterpillar / C & P Telephone / CenturyLink / Chrysler
/ City of San Diego / College of New Rochelle / CO DOT / CO PERA /
Commonwealth Edison / Commscope / Connectivity Solutions /
Consolidated Edison / Continental Airlines / Continental General
Tire / CORBE, Inc. / Cox Media / CSX Transportation / CWA /
Datatronics / Del Monte / Delphi / Delta Air Lines / Dept. of
Justice / Detroit Edison / Detroit Diesel / DHS-FEMA / Diamond
State / Digital Equipment / DTE Energy / Eastman Chemical Co. /
Embarq / Enco Alloys / Entergy Operations, Inc. / Exelon / FedEx /
Fidelity / Fisher Scientific Co. / Ford / General Electric / General
Motors/ General Telephone / Gulf Oil / Hartford / Hoechst
Celanese / Holophane / Honeywell Vorr / Hughes Aircraft / HWB /
IBEW / IBM / Illinois Bell / Illinois Teachers Assn. / Indiana Bell / J.
I. Case Corp. / John Deere / JNJ / Johns Manville / Johnson &
Johnson / Kaman Corp. / Kansas City Schools / Kodak / Lockheed
Martin / Lucent / Marlboro / McDonnell Douglas / MCI / MetLife /
Mich Con / MI Public Schools / Mobil Oil / Monsanto/Solutia /
MST&T Co. / NARFE / NASD / NEA / Net Co. / Nevada Bell /
Niagara Mohawk Power / NJEA / NJ Public Employee / North
Memorial Medical Center / NSTAR / Northwest Airlines /
Northwestern Bell / NYNEX / NY Teachers / Ohio Bell / OK
Teachers / Oregon PERS / OSRAM Sylvania / PacBell / PBGC / PECO
Energy / Pension Actuary / Pfizer / Phila Electric Co. / Polaroid /
Port Authority of NY & NJ / Portland GE-Enron / Prudential / PSERS
of PA / Public Service of Colorado / Raytheon / Rock-Tenn Co. /
Rocky Mount Mills / Rohm & Haas Co. / Rouse Co. / Salis / Sears /
SEIU/CSEA / Sempra Energy / Southern New England Tel /
Southwestern Bell / Spherion Corp. / Springs Mills / Sprint / State
of MI / Supermedia LLC / Teamsters / Telesector Resources Group
/ Telcordia / Texas Instruments / TIAA-CREF / Transamerica / UCLA
/ Ullico / Union Pacific / UnitedHealthCare / United Airlines /
University of California / UPS / U.S. Air Force / U.S. Airways / U.S.
Bureau of Reclamation / U.S. Marine Corp. / U.S. Air Force / U.S.
Army / U.S. Navy / USAF Trucking / US West-Qwest / USPS /
Verizon / Visteon / WA PERS / Wells Fargo / Western Union /
Weyerhaeuser /

December 10, 2015

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
United States Senate
302 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-2308

Dear Senator Klobuchar:

On behalf of the more than 2 million retirees represented by the National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN), I want to thank you for renewing your efforts to crack down on anti-competitive “pay-for-delay” pharmaceutical deals by introducing S.2019, the Preserve Access to Affordable Generics.

You and Senator Grassley are to be commended for recognizing the need to increase consumers’ access to the cost-saving generic drugs they need by helping put an end to the practice of brand-name drug manufacturers using pay-off agreements to keep more affordable generic equivalents off the market.

As you may be aware, Senator David Vitter introduced S. 131, the FAIR Generics Act, in January 2015, that also would lower the price of prescription drugs and make high-quality, lower-priced generic prescription medications available to consumers sooner by stopping the practice of “pay for delay”. The NRLN hopes you will join ranks with Senator Vitter and other Senators to get a bill to the floor of the Senate for a vote and passed.

Seniors on fixed incomes especially need access to lower priced generic medicines because many are choosing between paying for food and other necessities, or purchasing their prescriptions. Many stretch their drug supply by cutting their prescribed dose or worse, simply going without.

If the NRLN can help gain the passage of S. 2019, please contact me or Marta Bascom, the NRLN’s Executive Director in Washington, DC at 703-863-9611 or executivedirector@nrln.org.

The NRLN’s full Legislative Agenda and detailed whitepapers can be found at www.nrln.org. Your consideration on these issues would also be appreciated.

Sincerely,

President, National Retiree Legislative Network
Phone: 972-722-5928 Email: president@nrln.org