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To: All NRLN Grassroots Network Members  
From: NRLN President Bill Kadereit  
Subject: NRLN Board Re-elects 12 Members and Adopts 2012 Legislative Agenda

The National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN) Board of Directors has elected me to a third two-year term as NRLN President and re-elected 11 other retiree leaders to a two-year term on the Board. The terms are effective January 1, 2012.

The re-elected Board Members are:

**Jane Banfield**, Williamsburg, VA - President of AT&T Concerned Employee Retiree Council on Retirement Protection (ACER)  
**John Christie**, Washington Township, MI - Founding President of General Motors Retirees Association (GMRA)  
**Joseph R. (Dick) Ciocca**, Philadelphia, PA - President of The National Association of Prudential Retirees and Vested Terminators, Inc. (NAPRI)  
**Chris Dyrda**, Troy, MI - Director of The National Chrysler Retirement Organization (NCRO)  
**Joe Dombrowski**, Prescott, AZ - President of Lucent Retirees Organization (LRO)  
**Bill Kadereit**, Heath, TX - Former Legislative Affairs Director of Lucent Retirees Organization (LRO)  
**Ralph Maly**, Washington, D.C. - Vice President of Communications Workers of America (CWA)  
**Bob Martina**, Shreveport, LA - Legislative Affairs Director of Lucent Retirees Organization  
**Mary Ann Neuman**, New Hope, MN - Chair of NWB Area of AUSWR—Representing the Retirees of CenturyLink (Qwest, US West and predecessor companies)  
**Judy Stenberg**, Issaquah, WA - President of Pension Equity Council Oregon-Washington of AUSWR—Representing the Retirees of CenturyLink (Qwest, US West and predecessor companies)  
**Ray Sternot**, Painesville, OH - Vice President, Legislation of AT&T Ameritech/SBC Retirees – We are AASBCR  
**Stan Hurst**, Bloomfield Hills, MI - General Counsel of The National Chrysler Retirement Organization (NCRO)

Other Board Members (Beginning 2nd Year of Two-Year Term)

**Will Buergey**, Watersmeet, MI - Chairman of Delta Pilots Pension Preservation Organization (DP-3)  
**Bill Gabbard**, Silvis, IL - President of JDRO – A Family of John Deere Retirees  
**Chuck Gilbert**, San Diego, CA - President/CEO of TelCo Retirees Association, Inc. (TelCo)  
**Robert Tompkins**, Milford, MI - President of Detroit Edison Alliance of Retirees (DEAR)

I appreciate the many hours of volunteer work that the Board Members have provided the NRLN in the past and I look forward to working with them in the future.

The NRLN Board has adopted the NRLN 2012 Legislative Agenda and the top initiatives for "Lobby Focus" in 2012. The Legislative Agenda Committee chaired by Judy Stenberg spent considerable time obtaining input, discussing issues and writing the Legislative Agenda.

Working with Judy on the committee were Board Members Will Buergey, Dick Ciocca, Joe Dombrowski, Stan Hurst, Bob Martina, Ray Sternot and Robert Tompkins plus Kathleen (Kitty) Kennedy, President of Telephone Retirees Association of Arizona, Inc. of AUSWR and Deb Morrissett, Director of National Chrysler Retirement Organization (NCRO). Marta Bascom, NRLN Executive Director, and I interfaced with the committee as requested.

I urge you to read the 12-page NRLN 2012 Legislative Agenda. Click here (<http://www.nrln.org/documents/NRLN.Legislative.Agenda.2012.pdf>) to read the entire agenda. If you do not take the time to read the entire agenda, please at least read the 4-page document with the top initiatives for "Lobby Focus" in 2012. Click here (<http://www.nrln.org/documents/NRLN%20Legislative%20Agenda%202012%20initiatives.pdf>) to read the "Lobby Focus" talking points. If you should have a problem with these links, go to the NRLN website at [www.nrln.org](http://www.nrln.org) and click on the "NRLN Legislative Action" tab near the top of the home page.

The NRLN Board and Legislative Affairs Committee will need your support in the coming months by responding to NRLN Action Alerts, meeting with your U.S. Representatives and Senators when they are in your District/State, and opening a dialogue with district staff members. Also, your financial support in 2012 will be essential to the NRLN's ability to represent your interests in Washington, D.C.

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