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Scott Silverman Quoted on National Labor Relations Board's Annual Summary of Operations Report

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Scott Silverman was quoted in the *Corporate Counsel* article titled, "Annual Self-Review of NLRB GC Office Shows Successful 2012." The article analyzed the annual Summary of Operations report issued by the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, which is a review of the NLRB's case-handling performance in fiscal year 2012. Notably, the report found overall case intake declined 3 percent from 2011, with unfair labor practice charges dropping 2.5 percent to 21,629 and representation case intake falling 6.5 percent to 2,646.

"Silverman has counseled management in labor and employment law for more than 15 years. He has watched union 'penetration in the private workforce' drop during that time... and stresses the importance of union avoidance training for employers. In fiscal year 2012, the median time between the filing of a petition and an initial representation election was just 38 days. That number was four days below the office's target of 42 days, and Silverman says it doesn't allow 'sufficient time for an employer who has never done any training to win an election,' *Corporate Counsel* wrote.

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