

## Senior Officials Tossed From Union In Wake Of Sexual Harassment Allegations

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A tidal wave of sexual harassment allegations has been making headlines recently. Now, throw the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) – the nation's second largest union - into the discussion of organizations reeling from sexual harassment claims. It has been reported that a couple of high ranking officials in the SEIU have been fired or forced to resign in the wake of sexual harassment/sexual misconduct allegations. The problem may be widespread within labor unions, as Bloomberg reported the following quote from Lori Pelletier, president of the Connecticut AFL-CIO: "Every woman that I know, whether they're in management or punch the clock, has faced it [including those working for unions] ... If it is a co-worker or a union brother or a union sister, it's hard. You somehow feel the betrayal of trust." Notably, the SEIU says it is an organization dedicated to defending and advocating for civil rights. We'll see if more reports come out in the coming weeks in light of the recent events.

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