FORM NLRB-502 (RC)
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

# RC PETITION

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| Case No. 27-RC-292032 | Date Filed 3/10/2022 |

***INSTRUCTIONS: Unless e-Filed using the Agency's website, www.nlrb.gov/, submit an original of this Petition to an NLRB office in the Region in which the employer concerned is located. The petition must be accompanied by both a showing of interest (see 6b below) and a certificate of service showing service on the employer and all other parties named in the petition of: (1) the petition; (2) Statement of Position form (Form NLRB-505); and (3) Description of Representation Case Procedures (Form NLRB 4812). The showing of interest should only be filed with the NLRB and should not be served on the employer or any other party.***

1. **PURPOSE OF THIS PETITION**: **RC-CERTIFICATION OF REPRESENTATIVE -** A substantial number of employees wish to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining by Petitioner and Petitioner desires to be certified as representative of the employees. **The Petitioner alleges that the following circumstances exist and requests that the National Labor Relations Board proceed under its proper authority pursuant to Section 9 of the National Labor Relations Act.**

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| **2a. Name of Employer:** Starbucks Corporation | 2b. Address(es) of Establishment(s) involved *(Street and number, City, State, ZIP code):* 1455 S Nevada Ave, Colorado Springs, CO 80905 |
| **3a. Employer Representative** - Name and Title: Jesse Reeser, Store Manager | 3b. Address *(if same as 2b - state same):* Same |

| 3c. Tel. No. | 3d. Cell No. | 3e. Fax No. | 3f. E-Mail Address |
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| | | | us2859685@starbucks.com |

| 4a. Type of Establishment *(Factory, mine, wholesaler, etc.)* | 4b. Principal Product or Service | 5a. City and State where unit is located: |
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| Retailer | Coffee | Colorado Springs, CO |

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| **5b. Description of Unit Involved:**<br>**Included:** All full-time and regular part-time Baristas and Shift Supervisors<br>**Excluded:** Store managers, Office Clericals, Guards, Professional Employees, and Supervisors | 6a. Number of Employees in Unit: 20<br>6b. Do a substantial number (30% or more) of the employees in the unit wish to be represented by the Petitioner? ☒ Yes ☐ No |

Check One: ☐ 7a. Request for recognition as Bargaining Representative was made on (Date) _____ and Employer declined recognition on or about (Date) _____ (If no reply received, so state).
☐ 7b. Petitioner is currently recognized as Bargaining Representative and desires certification under the Act.

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| **8a. Name of Recognized or Certified Bargaining Agent** *(If none, so state)* None | 8b. Address: |

| 8c. Tel. No. | 8d. Cell No. | 8e. Fax No. | 8f. E-Mail Address |
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| 8g. Affiliation, if any: | 8h. Date of Recognition or Certification | 8i. Expiration Date of Current or Most Recent Contract, if any *(Month, Day, Year)* |
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9. Is there now a strike or picketing at the Employer's establishment(s) involved? No If so, approximately how many employees are participating? _____
(Name of Labor Organization) _____, has picketed the Employer since *(Month, Day, Year)* _____

10. Organizations or individuals other than Petitioner and those named in items 8 and 9, which have claimed recognition as representatives and other organizations and individuals known to have a representative interest in any employees in the unit described in item 5b above. *(If none, so state)*
None

| 10a. Name | 10b. Address | 10c. Tel. No. | 10d. Cell No. |
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| | | 10e. Fax No. | 10f. E-Mail Address |

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| **11. Election Details:** If the NLRB conducts and election in this matter, state your position with respect to any such election: Mail | | 11a. Election Type: ☐ Manual ☒ Mail ☐ Mixed Manual/Mail |
| 11b. Election Date(s): March 25, 2022 | 11c. Election Time(s): | 11d. Election Location(s): |

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| **12a. Full Name of Petitioner** *(including local name and number):* Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU | 12b. Address *(street and number, city, State and ZIP code)*: 333 S. Ashland Ave, Chicago, IL 60607 |

12c. Full name of national or international labor organization of which Petitioner is an affiliate or constituent *(if none, so state):*
Workers United/SEIU

| 12d. Tel. No. | 12e. Cell No. | 12f. Fax No. | 12g. E-Mail Address |
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| 312-738-6100 | | | |

**13. Representative of the Petitioner who will accept service of all papers for purposes of the representation proceeding.**

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| 13a. Name and Title: Robert S Cervone | 13b. Address *(street and number, city, State and ZIP code):* 8 S. Michigan Ave, 1900, Chicago, IL 60603 |

| 13c. Tel. No. | 13d. Cell No. | 13e. Fax No. | 13f. E-Mail Address |
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| 312-801-8848 | | | rcervone@laboradvocates.com |

**I declare that I have read the above petition and that the statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

| Name *(Print)* | Signature | Title | Date |
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| Robert S Cervone | Robert S Cervone | Attorney | 2/10/2022 |

**WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS PETITION CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE AND IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001)**

**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT**

Solicitation of the information on this form is authorized by the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA), 29 U.S.C. § 151 *et seq.* The principal use of the information is to assist the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) in processing representation and related proceedings or litigation. The routine uses for the information are fully set forth in the Federal Register, 71 Fed. Reg. 74942-43 (Dec. 13, 2006). The NLRB will further explain these uses upon request. Disclosure of this information to the NLRB is voluntary; however, failure to supply the information may cause the NLRB to decline to invoke its processes.

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**URGENT**

March 10, 2022

Jesse Resser, Store Manager
Starbucks Corporation
1455 South Nevada Avenue
Colorado Springs, CO 80905
us2859685@starbucks.com

Re: Starbucks Corporation
Case 27-RC-292032

Dear Mr. Resser:

Enclosed is a copy of a petition that Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU filed with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) seeking to represent certain of your employees. After a petition is filed, the employer is required to promptly take certain actions so please read this letter carefully to make sure you are aware of the employer's obligations. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be handling this matter, about the requirement to post and distribute the Notice of Petition for Election, the requirement to complete and serve a Statement of Position Form, the Petitioner's requirement to complete and serve a Responsive Statement of Position Form, a scheduled hearing in this matter, other information needed including a voter list, your right to be represented, and NLRB procedures, including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

**Investigator:** This petition will be investigated by Field Attorney JULIA M. DURKIN whose telephone number is (720)598-7403. The Board agent will contact you shortly to discuss processing the petition. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Board agent. If the agent is not available, you may contact Assistant to the Regional Director KELLY SELVIDGE whose telephone number is (720)598-7389. The Board agent may also contact you and the other party or parties to schedule a conference meeting or telephonic or video conference for some time before the close of business the day following receipt of the final Responsive Statement(s) of Position. This will give the parties sufficient time to determine if any issues can be resolved prior to hearing or if a hearing is necessary. If appropriate, the NLRB attempts to schedule an election either by agreement of the parties or by holding a hearing and then directing an election.

**Required Posting and Distribution of Notice:** You must post the enclosed Notice of Petition for Election by Thursday, March 17, 2022 in conspicuous places, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. The Notice of Petition for Election must be posted so all pages are simultaneously visible. If you customarily communicate electronically with employees in the petitioned-for unit, you must also distribute the notice electronically to them. You must maintain the posting until the petition is dismissed or withdrawn or this notice

is replaced by the Notice of Election. Posting and distribution of the Notice of Petition for Election will inform the employees whose representation is at issue and the employer of their rights and obligations under the National Labor Relations Act in the representation context. Failure to post or distribute the notice may be grounds for setting aside an election if proper and timely objections are filed.

**Required Statement of Position:** In accordance with Section 102.63(b) of the Board's Rules, the employer is required to complete the enclosed Statement of Position form (including the attached Commerce Questionnaire), have it signed by an authorized representative, and file a completed copy (with all required attachments) with this office and serve it on all parties named in the petition such that it is received by them by **noon Mountain Time** on **Tuesday, March 22, 2022.** This form solicits information that will facilitate entry into election agreements or streamline the pre-election hearing if the parties are unable to enter into an election agreement. **This form must be e-Filed, but unlike other e-Filed documents, will *not* be timely if filed on the due date but after noon Mountain Time.** If you have questions about this form or would like assistance in filling out this form, please contact the Board agent named above.

*List(s) of Employees*: The employer's Statement of Position must include a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit as of the payroll period preceding the filing of the petition who remain employed at the time of filing. If the employer contends that the proposed unit is inappropriate, the employer must separately list the full names, work locations, shifts and job classifications of all individuals that it contends must be added to the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. The employer must also indicate those individuals, if any, whom it believes must be excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. These lists must be alphabetized (overall or by department). Unless the employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the lists in the required form, the lists must be in a table in a Microsoft Word file (.doc or .docx) or a file that is compatible with Microsoft Word, the first column of the table must begin with each employee's last name, and the font size of the list must be the equivalent of Times New Roman 10 or larger. That font does not need to be used but the font must be that size or larger. A sample, optional form for the list is provided on the NLRB website at www.nlrb.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/basic-page/node-4559/Optional Forms for Voter List.docx

*Failure to Supply Information*: Failure to supply the information requested by this form may preclude you from litigating issues under Section 102.66(d) of the Board's Rules and Regulations. Section 102.66(d) provides as follows:

> A party shall be precluded from raising any issue, presenting any evidence relating to any issue, cross-examining any witness concerning any issue, and presenting argument concerning any issue that the party failed to raise in its timely Statement of Position or to place in dispute in response to another party's Statement of Position or response, except that no party shall be precluded from contesting or presenting evidence relevant to the Board's statutory jurisdiction to process the petition. Nor shall any party be precluded, on the grounds that a

voter's eligibility or inclusion was not contested at the pre-election hearing, from challenging the eligibility of any voter during the election. If a party contends that the proposed unit is not appropriate in its Statement of Position but fails to specify the classifications, locations, or other employee groupings that must be added to or excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit, the party shall also be precluded from raising any issue as to the appropriateness of the unit, presenting any evidence relating to the appropriateness of the unit, cross-examining any witness concerning the appropriateness of the unit, and presenting argument concerning the appropriateness of the unit. If the employer fails to timely furnish the lists of employees described in §§ 102.63(b)(1)(iii), (b)(2)(iii), or (b)(3)(iii), the employer shall be precluded from contesting the appropriateness of the proposed unit at any time and from contesting the eligibility or inclusion of any individuals at the pre-election hearing, including by presenting evidence or argument, or by cross-examination of witnesses.

**Responsive Statement of Position:** In accordance with Section 102.63(b) of the Board's Rules, following timely filing and service of an employer's Statement of Position, the petitioner is required to complete the enclosed Responsive Statement of Position form, have it signed by an authorized representative, and file a completed copy with any necessary attachments, with this office and serve it on all parties named in the petition responding to the issues raised in the employer's Statement of Position, such that it is received no later than **noon Mountain Time** on **Friday, March 25, 2022**.

**Notice of Hearing:** Enclosed is a Notice of Representation Hearing to be conducted at **9:00 a.m.** on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022 by video or teleconference,** if the parties do not voluntarily agree to an election. If a hearing is necessary, the hearing will run on consecutive days until concluded unless the regional director concludes that extraordinary circumstances warrant otherwise. Before the hearing begins, the NLRB will continue to explore potential areas of agreement with the parties in order to reach an election agreement and to eliminate or limit the costs associated with formal hearings.

Upon request of a party showing good cause, the regional director may postpone the hearing. A party desiring a postponement should make the request to the regional director in writing, set forth in detail the grounds for the request, and include the positions of the other parties regarding the postponement. E-Filing the request is required. A copy of the request must be served simultaneously on all the other parties, and that fact must be noted in the request.

**Other Information Needed Now**: Please submit to this office, as soon as possible, the following information needed to handle this matter:

(a) A copy of any existing or recently expired collective-bargaining agreements, and any amendments or extensions, or any recognition agreements covering any of your employees in the unit involved in the petition (the petitioned-for unit);

(b) The name and contact information for any other labor organization (union) claiming to represent any of the employees in the petitioned-for unit;

(c) If potential voters will need notices or ballots translated into a language other than English, the names of those languages and dialects, if any.

(d) If you desire a formal check of the showing of interest, you must provide an alphabetized payroll list of employees in the petitioned-for unit, with their job classifications, for the payroll period immediately before the date of this petition. Such a payroll list should be submitted as early as possible prior to the hearing. Ordinarily a formal check of the showing of interest is not performed using the employee list submitted as part of the Statement of Position.

**Voter List:** If an election is held in this matter, the employer must transmit to this office and to the other parties to the election, an alphabetized list of the full names, work locations, shifts, job classifications, and contact information (including home addresses, available personal email addresses, and available home and personal cellular telephone numbers) of eligible voters. Usually, the list must be furnished within 2 business days of the issuance of the Decision and Direction of Election or approval of an election agreement. I am advising you of this requirement now, so that you will have ample time to prepare this list. The list must be electronically filed with the Region and served electronically on the other parties. To guard against potential abuse, this list may not be used for purposes other than the representation proceeding, NLRB proceedings arising from it or other related matters.

**Right to Representation:** You have the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before us. If you choose to be represented, your representative must notify us in writing of this fact as soon as possible by completing Form NLRB-4701, Notice of Appearance. This form is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or at the Regional office upon your request.

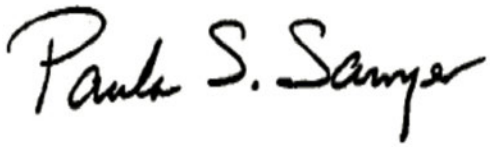
If someone contacts you about representing you in this case, please be assured that no organization or person seeking your business has any "inside knowledge" or favored relationship with the NLRB. Their knowledge regarding this matter was only obtained through access to information that must be made available to any member of the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

**Procedures:** Pursuant to Section 102.5 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, parties must submit all documentary evidence, including statements of position, exhibits, sworn statements, and/or other evidence, by electronically submitting (E-Filing) them through the Agency's web site (www.nlrb.gov). You must e-file all documents electronically or provide a written statement explaining why electronic submission is not possible or feasible. Failure to comply with Section 102.5 will result in rejection of your submission. The Region will make its determinations solely based on the documents and evidence properly submitted. All evidence submitted electronically should be in the form in which it is normally used and maintained in the course of business (i.e., native format). Where evidence submitted electronically is not in native format, it should be submitted in a manner that retains the essential functionality of the native

format (i.e., in a machine-readable and searchable electronic format). If you have questions about the submission of evidence or expect to deliver a large quantity of electronic records, please promptly contact the Board agent investigating the petition.

Information about the NLRB and our customer service standards is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request. We can provide assistance for persons with limited English proficiency or disability. Please let us know if you or any of your witnesses would like such assistance.

Very truly yours,



PAULA S. SAWYER
Regional Director

Enclosures

1. Petition
2. Notice of Petition for Election (Form 5492)
3. Notice of Representation Hearing
4. Description of Procedures in Certification and Decertification Cases (Form 4812)
5. Statement of Position form and Commerce Questionnaire (Form 505)
6. Responsive Statement of Position (Form 506)

Form NLRB-5492
(Rev: 12-2015)

# National Labor Relations Board

# NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ELECTION

**This notice is to inform employees that Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU has filed a petition with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), a Federal agency, in Case 27-RC-292032 seeking an election to become certified as the representative of the employees of Starbucks Corporation in the unit set forth below:**

**Include: All full-time and regular part-time Baristas and Shift Supervisors.**

**Excluded: Store managers, Office Clericals, Guards, Professional Employees, and Supervisors.**

**This notice also provides you with information about your basic rights under the National Labor Relations Act, the processing of the petition, and rules to keep NLRB elections fair and honest.**

## YOU HAVE THE RIGHT under Federal Law

- **To self-organization**
- **To form, join, or assist labor organizations**
- **To bargain collectively through representatives of your own choosing**
- **To act together for the purposes of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection**
- **To refuse to do any or all of these things unless the union and employer, in a state where such agreements are permitted, enter into a lawful union-security agreement requiring employees to pay periodic dues and initiation fees. Nonmembers who inform the union that they object to the use of their payments for nonrepresentational purposes may be required to pay only their share of the union's costs of representational activities (such as collective bargaining, contract administration, and grievance adjustments).**

## PROCESSING THIS PETITION

**Elections do not necessarily occur in all cases after a petition is filed. NO FINAL DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE YET regarding the appropriateness of the proposed unit or whether an election will be held in this matter. If appropriate, the NLRB will first see if the parties will enter into an election agreement that specifies the method, date, time, and location of an election and the unit of employees eligible to vote. If the parties do not enter into an election agreement, usually a hearing is held to receive evidence on the appropriateness of the unit and other issues in dispute. After a hearing, an election may be directed by the NLRB, if appropriate.**

**IF AN ELECTION IS HELD, it will be conducted by the NLRB by secret ballot and Notices of Election will be posted before the election giving complete details for voting.**

# ELECTION RULES

**The NLRB applies rules that are intended to keep its elections fair and honest and that result in a free choice. If agents of any party act in such a way as to interfere with your right to a free election, the election can be set aside by the NLRB. Where appropriate the NLRB provides other remedies, such as reinstatement for employees fired for exercising their rights, including backpay from the party responsible for their discharge.**

**The following are examples of conduct that interfere with employees' rights and may result in setting aside the election:**

- **Threatening loss of jobs or benefits by an employer or a union**
- **Promising or granting promotions, pay raises, or other benefits, to influence an employee's vote by a party capable of carrying out such promises**
- **An employer firing employees to discourage or encourage union activity or a union causing them to be fired to encourage union activity**
- **Making campaign speeches to assembled groups of employees on company time, where attendance is mandatory, within the 24-hour period before the polls for the election first open or, if the election is conducted by mail, from the time and date the ballots are scheduled to be sent out by the Region until the time and date set for their return**
- **Incitement by either an employer or a union of racial or religious prejudice by inflammatory appeals**
- **Threatening physical force or violence to employees by a union or an employer to influence their votes**

**Please be assured that IF AN ELECTION IS HELD, every effort will be made to protect your right to a free choice under the law. Improper conduct will not be permitted. All parties are expected to cooperate fully with the NLRB in maintaining basic principles of a fair election as required by law. The NLRB as an agency of the United States Government does not endorse any choice in the election.**

**For additional information about the processing of petitions, go to www.nlrb.gov or contact the NLRB at (303)844-3551.**

THIS IS AN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT NOTICE AND MUST NOT BE DEFACED BY ANYONE. IT MUST REMAIN POSTED WITH ALL PAGES SIMULTANEOUSLY VISIBLE UNTIL REPLACED BY THE NOTICE OF ELECTION OR THE PETITION IS DISMISSED OR WITHDRAWN.

**National Labor Relations Board**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**
**BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**
**REGION 27**

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| **Starbucks Corporation**<br>**Employer**<br>**and**<br>**Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU**<br>**Petitioner** | **Case 27-RC-292032** |

## NOTICE OF REPRESENTATION HEARING

The Petitioner filed the attached petition pursuant to Section 9(c) of the National Labor Relations Act. It appears that a question affecting commerce exists as to whether the employees in the unit described in the petition wish to be represented by a collective-bargaining representative as defined in Section 9(a) of the Act.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that, pursuant to Sections 3(b) and 9(c) of the Act, at 9:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022,** and on consecutive days thereafter until concluded, a hearing will be conducted by video or teleconference. The hearing will be conducted before a hearing officer of the National Labor Relations Board. At the hearing, the parties will have the right to appear in person or otherwise and give testimony.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, pursuant to Section 102.63(b) of the Board's Rules and Regulations, Starbucks Corporation must complete the Statement of Position and file it and all attachments with the Regional Director and serve it on the parties listed on the petition such that is received by them by no later than **noon** Mountain time on **Tuesday, March 22, 2022.** Following timely filing and service of a Statement of Position by Starbucks Corporation, the Petitioner must complete its Responsive Statement of Position(s) responding to the issues raised in the Employer's and/or Union's Statement of Position and file them and all attachments with the Regional Director and serve them on the parties named in the petition such that they are received by them no later than **noon** Mountain on **Friday, March 25, 2022.**

**Pursuant to Section 102.5 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, all documents filed in cases before the Agency must be filed by electronically submitting (E-Filing) through the Agency's website (www.nlrb.gov), unless the party filing the document does not have access to the means for filing electronically or filing electronically would impose an undue burden.** Documents filed by means other than E-Filing must be accompanied by a statement explaining why the filing party does not have access to the means for filing electronically or filing electronically would impose an undue burden. Detailed instructions for using the NLRB's E-Filing system can be found in the E-Filing System User Guide

The Statement of Position and Responsive Statement of Position must be E-Filed but, unlike other E-Filed documents, must be filed by **noon** Mountain on the due date in order to be timely. If an election agreement is signed by all parties and returned to the Regional Office before the due date of the Statement of Position, the Statement of Position and Responsive Statement of Position are not required to be filed. If an election agreement is signed by all parties and returned to the Regional office after the due date of the Statement of Position but before the due date of the Responsive Statement of Position, the Responsive Statement of Position is not required to be filed.

Dated: March 10, 2022

/s/ *Paula S. Sawyer*

PAULA S. SAWYER
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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**
**NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**

# DESCRIPTION OF REPRESENTATION CASE PROCEDURES IN CERTIFICATION AND DECERTIFICATION CASES

The National Labor Relations Act grants employees the right to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing and to refrain from such activity. A party may file an RC, RD or RM petition with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) to conduct a secret ballot election to determine whether a representative will represent, or continue to represent, a unit of employees. An **RC** petition is generally filed by a union that desires to be certified as the bargaining representative. An **RD** petition is filed by employees who seek to remove the currently recognized union as the bargaining representative. An **RM** petition is filed by an employer who seeks an election because one or more individuals or unions have sought recognition as the bargaining representative, or based on a reasonable belief supported by objective considerations that the currently recognized union has lost its majority status. This form generally describes representation case procedures in RC, RD and RM cases, also referred to as certification and decertification cases.

**Right to be Represented** – Any party to a case with the NLRB has the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before the NLRB. A party wishing to have a representative appear on its behalf should have the representative complete a Notice of Appearance (Form NLRB-4701), and E-File it at www.nlrb.gov or forward it to the NLRB Regional Office handling the petition as soon as possible.

**Filing and Service of Petition** – A party filing an RC, RD or RM petition is required to serve a copy of its petition on the parties named in the petition along with this form and the Statement of Position form. The petitioner files the petition with the NLRB, together with (1) a certificate showing service of these documents on the other parties named in the petition, and (2) a showing of interest to support the petition. The showing of interest is not served on the other parties.

**Notice of Hearing** – After a petition in a certification or decertification case is filed with the NLRB, the NLRB reviews the petition, certificate of service, and the required showing of interest for sufficiency, assigns the petition a case number, and promptly sends letters to the parties notifying them of the Board agent who will be handling the case. In most cases, the letters include a Notice of Representation Hearing. Except in cases presenting unusually complex issues, this pre-election hearing is set for a date 14 business days (excluding weekends and federal holidays) from the date of service of the notice of hearing. Once the hearing begins, it will continue day to day until completed absent extraordinary circumstances. The Notice of Representation Hearing also sets the due date for filing and serving the Statement(s) of Position and the Responsive Statement of Position(s). Included with the Notice of Representation Hearing are the following: (1) copy of the petition, (2) this form, (3) Statement of Position for non-petitioning parties, (4) petitioner's Responsive Statement of Position, (5) Notice of Petition for Election, and (6) letter advising how to contact the Board agent who will be handling the case and discussing those documents.

**Hearing Postponement**: Requests to postpone the hearing are not routinely granted, but the regional director may postpone the hearing for good cause. A party wishing to request a postponement should make the request in writing and set forth in detail the grounds for the request. The request should include the positions of the other parties regarding the postponement. The request must be filed electronically ("E-Filed") on the Agency's website (www.nlrb.gov) by following the instructions on the website. A copy of the request must be served simultaneously on all the other parties, and that fact must be noted in the request.

**Statement of Position Form and List(s) of Employees** – The Statement of Position form solicits commerce and other information that will facilitate entry into election agreements or streamline the pre-election hearing if the parties are unable to enter into an election agreement. In an **RC** or **RD** case, as part of its Statement of Position form, the employer also provides a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit. If the employer contends that the proposed unit is not appropriate, the employer must separately list the same information for all individuals that the employer contends must be added to the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit, and must further indicate those individuals, if any, whom it believes must be excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. These lists must be alphabetized (overall or by department). Unless the employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the lists in the required form, the lists must be in a table in a Microsoft Word file (.doc or .docx) or a file that is compatible with Microsoft Word, the first column of the table must begin with each employee's last name, and the font size of the list must be the equivalent of Times New Roman 10 or larger. That font does not need to be used but the font must be that size or larger. A sample, optional

form for the list is provided on the NLRB website at www.nlrb.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/basic-page/node-4559/Optional Forms for Voter List.docx

Ordinarily the Statement of Position must be filed with the Regional Office and served on the other parties such that it is received by them by noon 8 business days from the issuance of the Notice of Hearing. The regional director may postpone the due date for filing and serving the Statement of Position for good cause. The Statement of Position form must be E-Filed but, unlike other E-Filed documents, will not be timely if filed on the due date but after noon in the time zone of the Region where the petition is filed. Consequences for failing to satisfy the Statement of Position requirement are discussed on the following page under the heading "Preclusion." A request to postpone the hearing will not automatically be treated as a request for an extension of the Statement of Position due date. If a party wishes to request both a postponement of the hearing and a postponement of the Statement of Position due date, the request must make that clear and must specify the reasons that postponements of both are sought.

**Responsive Statement of Position** – Petitioner's Responsive Statement(s) of Position solicits a response to the Statement(s) of Position filed by the other parties and further facilitates entry into election agreements or streamlines the preelection hearing. A petitioner must file a Responsive Statement of Position in response to each party's Statement of Position addressing each issue in each Statement of Position(s), if desired. In the case of an RM petition, the employer-petitioner must also provide commerce information and file and serve a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit. Ordinarily, the Responsive Statement of Position must be electronically filed with the Regional Office and served on the other parties such that it is received by noon 3 business days prior to the hearing. The regional director may postpone the due date for filing and serving the Responsive Statement of Position for good cause. The Responsive Statement of Position form must be E-Filed but, unlike other E-Filed documents, will not be timely if filed on the due date but after noon in the time zone of the Region where the petition is filed. Consequences for failing to satisfy the Responsive Statement of Position requirement are discussed on the following page under the heading "Preclusion." A request to postpone the hearing will not automatically be treated as a request for an extension of the Responsive Statement of Position due date. If a party wishes to request both a postponement of the hearing and a Postponement of the Responsive Statement of Position due date, the request must make that clear and must specify the reasons that postponements of both are sought.

**Posting and Distribution of Notice of Petition for Election** – Within 5 business days after service of the notice of hearing, the employer must post the Notice of Petition for Election in conspicuous places, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted, and must also distribute it electronically to the employees in the petitioned-for unit if the employer customarily communicates with these employees electronically. The employer must maintain the posting until the petition is dismissed or withdrawn, or the Notice of Petition for Election is replaced by the Notice of Election. The employer's failure properly to post or distribute the Notice of Petition for Election may be grounds for setting aside the election if proper and timely objections are filed.

**Election Agreements** – Elections can occur either by agreement of the parties or by direction of the regional director or the Board. Three types of agreements are available: (1) a Consent Election Agreement (Form NLRB-651); (2) a Stipulated Election Agreement (Form NLRB-652); and (3) a Full Consent Agreement (Form NLRB-5509). In the Consent Election Agreement and the Stipulated Election Agreement, the parties agree on an appropriate unit and the method, date, time, and place of a secret ballot election that will be conducted by an NLRB agent. In the Consent Agreement, the parties also agree that post-election matters (election objections or determinative challenged ballots) will be resolved with finality by the regional director; whereas in the Stipulated Election Agreement, the parties agree that they may request Board review of the regional director's post-election determinations. A Full Consent Agreement provides that the regional director will make final determinations regarding all pre-election and post-election issues.

**Hearing Cancellation Based on Agreement of the Parties** – The issuance of the Notice of Representation Hearing does not mean that the matter cannot be resolved by agreement of the parties. On the contrary, the NLRB encourages prompt voluntary adjustments and the Board agent assigned to the case will work with the parties to enter into an election agreement, so the parties can avoid the time and expense of participating in a hearing.

**Hearing** – A hearing will be held unless the parties enter into an election agreement approved by the regional director or the petition is dismissed or withdrawn.

***Purpose of Hearing*:** The primary purpose of a pre-election hearing is to determine if a question of representation exists. A question of representation exists if a proper petition has been filed concerning a unit

appropriate for the purpose of collective bargaining or, in the case of a decertification petition, concerning a unit in which a labor organization has been certified or is being currently recognized by the employer as the bargaining representative.

***Issues at Hearing*:** Issues that might be litigated at the pre-election hearing include: jurisdiction; labor organization status; bars to elections; unit appropriateness; expanding and contracting unit issues; inclusion of professional employees with nonprofessional employees; seasonal operation; potential mixed guard/non-guard unit; and eligibility formulas. At the hearing, the timely filed Statement of Position and Responsive Statement of Position(s) will be received into evidence. The hearing officer will not receive evidence concerning any issue as to which the parties have not taken adverse positions, except for evidence regarding the Board's jurisdiction over the employer and evidence concerning any issue, such as the appropriateness of the proposed unit, as to which the regional director determines that record evidence is necessary.

***Preclusion*:** At the hearing, a party will be precluded from raising any issue, presenting any evidence relating to any issue, cross-examining any witness concerning any issue, and presenting argument concerning any issue that the party failed to raise in its timely Statement of Position or Responsive Statement of Position(s) or to place in dispute in timely response to another party's Statement of Position or response, except that no party will be precluded from contesting or presenting evidence relevant to the Board's statutory jurisdiction to process the petition. Nor shall any party be precluded, on the grounds that a voter's eligibility or inclusion was not contested at the pre-election hearing, from challenging the eligibility of any voter during the election. If a party contends that the proposed unit is not appropriate in its Statement of Position but fails to specify the classifications, locations, or other employee groupings that must be added to or excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit, the party shall also be precluded from raising any issue as to the appropriateness of the unit, presenting any evidence relating to the appropriateness of the unit, cross examining any witness concerning the appropriateness of the unit, and presenting argument concerning the appropriateness of the unit. As set forth in §102.66(d) of the Board's rules, if the employer fails to timely furnish the lists of employees, the employer will be precluded from contesting the appropriateness of the proposed unit at any time and from contesting the eligibility or inclusion of any individuals at the pre-election hearing, including by presenting evidence or argument, or by cross-examination of witnesses.

***Conduct of Hearing*:** If held, the hearing is usually open to the public and will be conducted by a hearing officer of the NLRB. Any party has the right to appear at any hearing in person, by counsel, or by other representative, to call, examine, and cross-examine witnesses, and to introduce into the record evidence of the significant facts that support the party's contentions and are relevant to the existence of a question of representation. The hearing officer also has the power to call, examine, and cross-examine witnesses and to introduce into the record documentary and other evidence. Witnesses will be examined orally under oath. The rules of evidence prevailing in courts of law or equity shall not be controlling. Parties appearing at any hearing who have or whose witnesses have disabilities falling within the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and 29 C.F.R. 100.503, and who in order to participate in this hearing need appropriate auxiliary aids, as defined in 29 C.F.R. 100.503, should notify the regional director as soon as possible and request the necessary assistance.

***Official Record*:** An official reporter will make the only official transcript of the proceedings and all citations in briefs or arguments must refer to the official record. (Copies of exhibits should be supplied to the hearing officer and other parties at the time the exhibit is offered in evidence.) All statements made at the hearing will be recorded by the official reporter while the hearing is on the record. If a party wishes to make off-the-record remarks, requests to make such remarks should be directed to the hearing officer and not to the official reporter. After the close of the hearing, any request for corrections to the record, either by stipulation or motion, should be forwarded to the regional director.

***Motions and Objections*:** All motions must be in writing unless stated orally on the record at the hearing and must briefly state the relief sought and the grounds for the motion. A copy of any motion must be served immediately on the other parties to the proceeding. Motions made during the hearing are filed with the hearing officer. All other motions are filed with the regional director, except that motions made after the transfer of the record to the Board are filed with the Board. If not E-Filed, an original and two copies of written motions shall be filed. Statements of reasons in support of motions or objections should be as concise as possible. Objections shall not be deemed waived by further participation in the hearing. On appropriate request, objections may be permitted to stand to an entire line of questioning. Automatic exceptions will be allowed to all adverse rulings.

***Election Details*:** Prior to the close of the hearing the hearing officer will: (1) solicit the parties' positions (but will not permit litigation) on the type, date(s), time(s), and location(s) of the election and the eligibility period; (2) solicit the name, address, email address, facsimile number, and phone number of the employer's on-site representative to whom the regional director should transmit the Notice of Election if an election is directed; (3) inform the parties that the regional director will issue a decision as soon as practicable and will immediately transmit the document to the parties and their designated representatives by email, facsimile, or by overnight mail (if neither an email address nor facsimile number was provided); and (4) inform the parties of their obligations if the director directs an election and of the time for complying with those obligations.

***Oral Argument and Briefs*:** Upon request, any party is entitled to a reasonable period at the close of the hearing for oral argument, which will be included in the official transcript of the hearing. At any time before the close of the hearing, any party may file a memorandum addressing relevant issues or points of law. Post-hearing briefs shall be due within 5 business days of the close of the hearing. The hearing officer may allow up to 10 additional business days for such briefs prior to the close of hearing and for good cause. If filed, copies of the memorandum or brief shall be served on all other parties to the proceeding and a statement of such service shall be filed with the memorandum or brief. No reply brief may be filed except upon special leave of the regional director. Briefs including electronic documents, filed with the Regional Director must be formatted as double-spaced in an 8½ by 11 inch format and must be e-filed through the Board's website, www.nlrb.gov.

**Regional Director Decision** - After the hearing, the regional director issues a decision directing an election, dismissing the petition or reopening the hearing. A request for review of the regional director's pre-election decision may be filed with the Board at any time after issuance of the decision until 10 business days after a final disposition of the proceeding by the regional director. Accordingly, a party need not file a request for review before the election in order to preserve its right to contest that decision after the election. Instead, a party can wait to see whether the election results have mooted the basis of an appeal. The Board will grant a request for review only where compelling reasons exist therefor.

**Voter List** – The employer must provide to the regional director and the parties named in the election agreement or direction of election a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, job classifications, and contact information (including home addresses, available personal email addresses, and available home and personal cellular ("cell") telephone numbers) of all eligible voters. (In construction industry elections, unless the parties stipulate to the contrary, also eligible to vote are all employees in the unit who either (1) were employed a total of 30 working days or more within the 12 months preceding the election eligibility date or (2) had some employment in the 12 months preceding the election eligibility date and were employed 45 working days or more within the 24 months immediately preceding the election eligibility date. However, employees meeting either of those criteria who were terminated for cause or who quit voluntarily prior to the completion of the last job for which they were employed, are not eligible.) The employer must also include in a separate section of the voter list the same information for those individuals whom the parties have agreed should be permitted to vote subject to challenge or those individuals who, according to the direction of election, will be permitted to vote subject to challenge. The list of names must be alphabetized (overall or by department) and be in the same Microsoft Word file (or Microsoft Word compatible file) format as the initial lists provided with the Statement of Position form unless the parties agree to a different format or the employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the list in the required form. When feasible, the list must be filed electronically with the regional director and served electronically on the other parties named in the agreement or direction. To be timely filed and served, the voter list must be received by the regional director and the parties named in the agreement or direction respectively within 2 business days after the approval of the agreement or issuance of the direction of elections unless a longer time is specified in the agreement or direction. A certificate of service on all parties must be filed with the regional director when the voter list is filed. The employer's failure to file or serve the list within the specified time or in proper format shall be grounds for setting aside the election whenever proper and timely objections are filed. The parties shall not use the list for purposes other than the representation proceeding, Board proceedings arising from it, and related matters.

**Waiver of Time to Use Voter List** – Under existing NLRB practice, an election is not ordinarily scheduled for a date earlier than 10 calendar days after the date when the employer must file the voter list with the Regional Office. However, the parties entitled to receive the voter list may waive all or part of the 10-day period by executing Form NLRB-4483. A waiver will not be effective unless all parties who are entitled to the list agree to waive the same number of days.

**Election** – Information about the election, requirements to post and distribute the Notice of Election, and possible proceedings after the election is available from the Regional Office and will be provided to the parties when the Notice of Election is sent to the parties.

**Withdrawal or Dismissal** – If it is determined that the NLRB does not have jurisdiction or that other criteria for proceeding to an election are not met, the petitioner is offered an opportunity to withdraw the petition. If the petitioner does not withdraw the petition, the regional director will dismiss the petition and advise the petitioner of the reason for the dismissal and of the right to appeal to the Board.

## REVIEW THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE FILLING OUT A STATEMENT OF POSITION FORM

**Completing and Filing this Form:** The Notice of Hearing indicates which parties are responsible for completing the form. If you are required to complete the form, you must have it signed by an authorized representative and file a completed copy (including all attachments) with the RD and serve copies on all parties named in the petition by the date and time established for its submission. If more space is needed for your answers, additional pages may be attached. If you have questions about this form or would like assistance in filling out this form, please contact the Board agent assigned to handle this case. **You must EFile your Statement of Position at www.nlrb.gov, but unlike other e-Filed documents, it will *not* be timely if filed on the due date but after noon in the time zone of the Region where the petition was filed.**

> **Note:** ***Non-employer parties who complete this Statement of Position are NOT required to complete items 8f and 8g of the form, or to provide a commerce questionnaire or the lists described in item 7.***

**Required Lists:** The employer's Statement of Position must include a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit as of the payroll period preceding the filing of the petition who remain employed at the time of filing. If the employer contends that the proposed unit is inappropriate, the employer must separately list the full names, work locations, shifts and job classifications of all individuals that it contends must be added to the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. The employer must also indicate those individuals, if any, whom it believes must be excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. These lists must be alphabetized (overall or by department). Unless the employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the lists in the required form, the lists must be in a table in a Microsoft Word file (.doc or .docx) or a file that is compatible with Microsoft Word, the first column of the table must begin with each employee's last name, and the font size of the list must be the equivalent of Times New Roman 10 or larger. That font does not need to be used but the font must be that size or larger. A sample, optional form for the list is provided on the NLRB website at **www.nlrb.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/basic-page/node-4559/Optional Forms for Voter List.docx**.

**Consequences of Failure to Supply Information:** Failure to supply the information requested by this form may preclude you from litigating issues under 102.66(d) of the Board's Rules and Regulations. Section 102.66(d) provides as follows:

> A party shall be precluded from raising any issue, presenting any evidence relating to any issue, cross-examining any witness concerning any issue, and presenting argument concerning any issue that the party failed to raise in its timely Statement of Position or to place in dispute in response to another party's Statement of Position or response, except that no party shall be precluded from contesting or presenting evidence relevant to the Board's statutory jurisdiction to process the petition. Nor shall any party be precluded, on the grounds that a voter's eligibility or inclusion was not contested at the pre-election hearing, from challenging the eligibility of any voter during the election. If a party contends that the proposed unit is not appropriate in its Statement of Position but fails to specify the classifications, locations, or other employee groupings that must be added to or excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit, the party shall also be precluded from raising any issue as to the appropriateness of the unit, presenting any evidence relating to the appropriateness of the unit, cross-examining any witness concerning the appropriateness of the unit, and presenting argument concerning the appropriateness of the unit. If the employer fails to timely furnish the lists of employees described in §§102.63(b)(1)(iii), (b)(2)(iii), or (b)(3)(iii), the employer shall be precluded from contesting the appropriateness of the proposed unit at any time and from contesting the eligibility or inclusion of any individuals at the pre-election hearing, including by presenting evidence or argument, or by cross-examination of witnesses.

FORM NLRB-505
(12-20)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

# STATEMENT OF POSITION

| DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE | |
|---|---|
| Case No. | Date Filed |
| 27-RC-292032 | March 10, 2022 |

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Submit this Statement of Position to an NLRB Office in the Region in which the petition was filed and serve it and all attachments on each party named in the petition in this case such that it is received by them by the date and time specified in the notice of hearing.*
**Note:** *Non-employer parties who complete this form are NOT required to complete items 8f or 8g below or to provide a commerce questionnaire or the lists described in item 7.*

| 1a. Full name of party filing Statement of Position | 1c. Business Phone: | 1e. Fax No.: |
|---|---|---|
| 1b. Address *(Street and number, city, state, and ZIP code)* | 1d. Cell No.: | 1f. e-Mail Address |

2. Do you agree that the NLRB has jurisdiction over the Employer in this case? [ ] Yes [ ] No
*(A completed commerce questionnaire (Attachment A) must be submitted by the Employer, regardless of whether jurisdiction is admitted)*

3. Do you agree that the proposed unit is appropriate? [ ] Yes [ ] No *(If not, answer 3a and 3b.)*

a. State the basis for your contention that the proposed unit is not appropriate. (*If you contend a classification should be excluded or included briefly explain why, such as shares a community of interest or are supervisors or guards.)*

b. State any classifications, locations, or other employee groupings that must be added to or excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit.

| Added | Excluded |
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4. Other than the individuals in classifications listed in 3b, list any individual(s) whose eligibility to vote you intend to contest at the pre-election hearing in this case and the basis for contesting their eligibility.

5. Is there a bar to conducting an election in this case? [ ] Yes [ ] No *If yes, state the basis for your position.*

6. Describe all other issues you intend to raise at the pre-election hearing.

7. The employer must provide the following lists which must be alphabetized (overall or by department) in the format specified at **www.nlrb.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/basic-page/node-4559/Optional Forms for Voter List.docx**.
(a) A list containing the full names, work locations, shifts and job classification of all individuals in the proposed unit as of the payroll period immediately preceding the filing of the petition who remain employed as of the date of the filing of the petition. (Attachment B)
(b) If the employer contends that the proposed unit is inappropriate the employer must provide (1) a separate list containing the full names, work locations, shifts and job classifications of all individuals that it contends must be *added* to the proposed unit, if any to make it an appropriate unit, (Attachment C) and (2) a list containing the full names of any individuals it contends must be *excluded* from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. (Attachment D)

8a. State your position with respect to the details of any election that may be conducted in this matter. Type: [ ] Manual [ ] Mail [ ] Mixed Manual/Mail

| 8b. Date(s) | 8c. Time(s) | 8d. Location(s) |
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| 8e. Eligibility Period (e.g. special eligibility formula) | 8f. Last Payroll Period Ending Date | 8g. Length of payroll period<br>[ ] Weekly [ ]Biweekly [ ] Other *(specify length)* |

**9. Representative who will accept service of all papers for purposes of the representation proceeding**

| 9a. Full name and title of authorized representative | 9b. Signature of authorized representative | 9c. Date |
|---|---|---|
| 9d. Address *(Street and number, city, state, and ZIP code)* | | 9e. e-Mail Address |
| 9f. Business Phone No.: | 9g. Fax No. | 9h. Cell No. |

**WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS PETITION CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE AND IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001)**

**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT**

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FORM NLRB-5081
(3-11)

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

# QUESTIONNAIRE ON COMMERCE INFORMATION

**Please read carefully, answer all applicable items, and return to the NLRB Office. If additional space is required, please add a page and identify item number.**

| CASE NAME | CASE NUMBER |
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| Starbucks Corporation | 27-RC-292032 |

**1. EXACT LEGAL TITLE OF ENTITY (As filed with State and/or stated in legal documents forming entity)**

**2. TYPE OF ENTITY**

[ ] CORPORATION [ ] LLC [ ] LLP [ ] PARTNERSHIP [ ] SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP [ ] OTHER (Specify )

**3. IF A CORPORATION or LLC**

| A. STATE OF INCORPORATION OR FORMATION | B. NAME, ADDRESS, AND RELATIONSHIP (e.g. parent, subsidiary) OF ALL RELATED ENTITIES |
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**4. IF AN LLC OR ANY TYPE OF PARTNERSHIP, FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF ALL MEMBERS OR PARTNERS**

**5. IF A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF PROPRIETOR**

**6. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE NATURE OF YOUR OPERATIONS** *(Products handled or manufactured, or nature of services performed).*

| 7A. PRINCIPAL LOCATION: | 7B. BRANCH LOCATIONS: |
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**8. NUMBER OF PEOPLE PRESENTLY EMPLOYED**

| A. TOTAL: | B. AT THE ADDRESS INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER: |
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**9. DURING THE MOST RECENT** ***(Check the appropriate box):*** **[ ] CALENDAR [ ] 12 MONTHS or [ ] FISCAL YEAR** ***(FY DATES _____ )***

| | YES | NO |
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| A. Did you **provide services** valued in excess of $50,000 directly to customers outside your State? If no, indicate actual value. $_____ | | |
| B. If you answered no to 9A, did you **provide services** valued in excess of $50,000 to customers in your State who purchased goods valued in excess of $50,000 from directly outside your State? If no, indicate the value of any such services you provided. $_____ | | |
| C. If you answered no to 9A and 9B, did you **provide services** valued in excess of $50,000 to public utilities, transit systems, newspapers, health care institutions, broadcasting stations, commercial buildings, educational institutions, or retail concerns? If less than $50,000, indicate amount. $_____ | | |
| D. Did you **sell goods** valued in excess of $50,000 directly to customers located outside your State? If less than $50,000, indicate amount. $_____ | | |
| E. If you answered no to 9D, did you **sell goods** valued in excess of $50,000 directly to customers located inside your State who purchased other goods valued in excess of $50,000 from directly outside your State? If less than $50,000, indicate amount. $_____ | | |
| F. Did you **purchase and receive goods** valued in excess of $50,000 from directly outside your State? If less than $50,000, indicate amount. $_____ | | |
| G. Did you **purchase and receive goods** valued in excess of $50,000 from enterprises who received the goods directly from points outside your State? If less than $50,000, indicate amount. $_____ | | |
| H. **Gross Revenues** from all sales or performance of services ***(Check the largest amount)***: [ ] $100,000 [ ] $250,000 [ ] $500,000 [ ] $1,000,000 or more If less than $100,000, indicate amount. | | |
| I. **Did you begin operations within the last 12 months?** If yes, specify date: _____ | | |

**10. ARE YOU A MEMBER OF AN ASSOCIATION OR OTHER EMPLOYER GROUP THAT ENGAGES IN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING?**

[ ] YES [ ] NO *(If yes, name and address of association or group).*

**11. REPRESENTATIVE BEST QUALIFIED TO GIVE FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR OPERATIONS**

| NAME | TITLE | E-MAIL ADDRESS | TEL. NUMBER |
|---|---|---|---|
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**12. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE COMPLETING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE**

| NAME AND TITLE *(Type or Print)* | SIGNATURE | E-MAIL ADDRESS | DATE |
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# REVIEW THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE FILLING OUT A RESPONSIVE STATEMENT OF POSITION FORM

**Completing and Filing this Form:** For **RC and RD petitions**, the Petitioner is required to complete this form in response to each timely filed and served Statement of Position filed by another party. For **RM petitions**, the Employer-Petitioner must complete a Responsive Statement of Position form and submit the list described below. In accordance with Section 102.63(b) of the Board's Rules, if you are required to complete the form, you must have it signed by an authorized representative, and file a completed copy with any necessary attachments, with this office and serve it on all parties named in the petition responding to the issues raised in another party's Statement of Position, such that it is received no later than noon three business days before the date of the hearing. A separate form must be completed for each timely filed and properly served Statement of Position you receive. If more space is needed for your answers, additional pages may be attached. If you have questions about this form or would like assistance in filling out this form, please contact the Board agent assigned to handle this case. **You must E-File your Responsive Statement of Position at www.NLRB.gov, but unlike other e-Filed documents, it will *not* be timely if filed on the due date but after noon in the time zone of the Region where the petition was filed. Note that if you are completing this form as a PDF downloaded from www.NLRB.gov, the form will lock upon signature and no further editing may be made.**

**Required List:** In addition to responding to the issues raised in another party's Statement of Position, if any, the Employer-Petitioner in an RM case is required to file and serve on the parties a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit as of the payroll period preceding the filing of the petition who remain employed at the time of filing. This list must be alphabetized (overall or by department). Unless the employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the list in the required form, the list must be in a table in a Microsoft Word file (.doc or .docx) or a file that is compatible with Microsoft Word, the first column of the table must begin with each employee's last name, and the font size of the list must be the equivalent of Times New Roman 10 or larger. That font does not need to be used but the font must be that size or larger. A sample, optional form for the list is provided on the NLRB website at www.nlrb.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/basic-page/node-4559/Optional Forms for Voter List.docx

**Consequences of Failure to Submit a Responsive Statement of Position:** Failure to supply the information requested by this form may preclude you from litigating issues under 102.66(d) of the Board's Rules and Regulations. Section 102.66(d) provides as follows:

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FORM NLRB-506
(12-20)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

# RESPONSIVE STATEMENT OF POSITION – RC, RD or RM PETITION

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| Case No. | Date Filed |
| 27-RC-292032 | March 10, 2022 |

***INSTRUCTIONS:*** *If a party has submitted and served on you a timely Statement of Position to an RC, RD or RM petition, the Petitioner must submit this Responsive Statement of Position to an NLRB Office in the Region in which the petition was filed and serve it and any attachments on each party named in the petition in this case such that it is received by noon local time, three business days prior to the hearing date specified in the Notice of Hearing. A separate form must be completed for each timely filed and properly served Statement of Position received by the Petitioner. The Petitioner-Employer in a RM case is required to file this Responsive Statement of Position and include an appropriate employee list without regard to whether another party has filed a Statement of Position.*

This Responsive Statement of Position is filed by the Petitioner in response to a Statement of Position received from the following party:

| **The Employer** | **An Intervenor/Union** |
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1a. Full Name of Party Filing Responsive Statement of Position

| 1c. Business Phone | 1d. Cell No. | 1e. Fax No. | 1f. E-Mail Address |
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1b. Address (Street and Number, City, State, and ZIP Code)

2. Identify all issues raised in the other party's Statement of Position that you dispute and describe the basis of your dispute:

**a. EMPLOYER NAME/IDENTITY** [Box 1a of Statement of Position Form NLRB-505 and Questionnaire on Commerce Information]

☐ No Dispute (no further response required) ☐ Dispute (response required below)

Response to Statement of Position:

**b. JURISDICTION** [Box 2 of Statement of Position Form NLRB-505 and Questionnaire on Commerce Information]

☐ No Dispute (no further response required) ☐ Dispute (response required below)

Response to Statement of Position:

**c. APPROPRIATENESS OF UNIT** [Boxes 3, 3a and 3b of Statement of Position Form NLRB-505]

☐ No Dispute (no further response required) ☐ Dispute (response required below)

Response to Statement of Position:

**d. INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY** [Box 4 of Statement of Position Form NLRB-505]

☐ No Dispute (no further response required) ☐ Dispute (response required below)

Response to Statement of Position:

**e. BARS TO ELECTION** [Box 5 of Statement of Position Form NLRB-505]

☐ No Dispute (no further response required) ☐ Dispute (response required below)

Response to Statement of Position:

**f. ALL OTHER ISSUES** [Box 6 of Statement of Position Form NLRB-505]

☐ No Dispute (no further response required) ☐ Dispute (response required below)

Response to Statement of Position:

**g. ELECTION DETAILS** [Boxes 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f, and 8g of Statement of Position Form NLRB-505]

☐ No Dispute (no further response required) ☐ Dispute (response required below)

Response to Statement of Position:

| Full Name and Title of Authorized Representative | Signature of Authorized Representative | Date |
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**WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS PETITION CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE AND IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001) PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT**

Solicitation of the information on this form is authorized by the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA), 29 U.S.C. Section 151 et seq. The principal use of the information is to assist the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) in processing representation proceedings. The routine uses for the information are fully set forth in the Federal Register, 71 Fed. 74942-43 (December 13, 2006). The NLRB will further explain these uses upon request. Failure to supply the information requested by this form may preclude you from litigating issues under 102.66(d) of the Board's Rules and Regulations and may cause the NLRB to refuse to further process a representation case or may cause the NLRB to issue you a subpoena and seek enforcement of the subpoena in federal court.

***Please fill all necessary fields on the form PRIOR to digitally signing. To make changes after the form has been signed, right-click on the signature field and click "clear signature." Once complete, please sign the form.***

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**URGENT**

March 10, 2022

Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board
Workers United/SEIU
333 South Ashland Avenue
Chicago, IL 60607

Re: Starbucks Corporation
Case 27-RC-292032

Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed petition that you filed with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) has been assigned the above case number. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be handling this matter; explains your obligation to provide the originals of the showing of interest and the requirement that you complete and serve a Responsive Statement of Position form in response to each timely filed and served Statement(s) of Position; notifies you of a hearing; describes the employer's obligation to post and distribute a Notice of Petition for Election, complete a Statement of Position and provide a voter list; requests that you provide certain information; notifies you of your right to be represented; and discusses some of our procedures including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

**Investigator:** This petition will be investigated by Field Attorney JULIA M. DURKIN whose telephone number is (720)598-7403. The Board agent will contact you shortly to discuss processing the petition. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Board agent. The Board agent may also contact you and the other party or parties to schedule a conference meeting or telephonic or video conference for some time before the close of business the day following receipt of the final Responsive Statement(s) of Position. This will give the parties sufficient time to determine if any issues can be resolved prior to hearing or if a hearing is necessary. If the agent is not available, you may contact Assistant to the Regional Director KELLY SELVIDGE whose telephone number is (720)598-7389. If appropriate, the NLRB attempts to schedule an election either by agreement of the parties or by holding a hearing and then directing an election.

**Showing of Interest**: If the Showing of Interest you provided in support of your petition was submitted electronically or by fax, the original documents which constitute the Showing of Interest containing handwritten signatures must be delivered to the Regional office within **2 business days**. If the originals are not received within that time the Region will dismiss your petition.

**Notice of Hearing:** Enclosed is a Notice of Representation Hearing to be conducted at **9:00 a.m.** on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022 by video or teleconference,** if the parties do not voluntarily agree to an election. If a hearing is necessary, the hearing will run on consecutive days until concluded unless the regional director concludes that extraordinary circumstances warrant otherwise. Before the hearing begins, we will continue to explore potential areas of agreement with the parties in order to reach an election agreement and to eliminate or limit the costs associated with formal hearings.

Upon request of a party showing good cause, the regional director may postpone the hearing. A party desiring a postponement should make the request to the regional director in writing, set forth in detail the grounds for the request, and include the positions of the other parties regarding the postponement. E-Filing the request is required. A copy of the request must be served simultaneously on all the other parties, and that fact must be noted in the request.

**Posting and Distribution of Notice:** The Employer must post the enclosed Notice of Petition for Election by Thursday, March 17, 2022 in conspicuous places, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. If it customarily communicates electronically with its employees in the petitioned-for unit, it must also distribute the notice electronically to them. The Employer must maintain the posting until the petition is dismissed or withdrawn or this notice is replaced by the Notice of Election. Failure to post or distribute the notice may be grounds for setting aside the election if proper and timely objections are filed.

**Statement of Position:** In accordance with Section 102.63(b) of the Board's Rules, the Employer is required to complete the enclosed Statement of Position form, have it signed by an authorized representative, and file a completed copy with any necessary attachments, with this office and serve it on all parties named in the petition by **noon Mountain Time** on **Tuesday, March 22, 2022.** The Statement of Position must include a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit as of the payroll period preceding the filing of the petition who remain employed at the time of filing. If the Employer contends that the proposed unit is inappropriate, it must separately list the full names, work locations, shifts and job classifications of all individuals that it contends must be added to the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. The Employer must also indicate those individuals, if any, whom it believes must be excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit.

**Required Responsive Statement of Position (RSOP):** In accordance with Section 102.63(b) of the Board's Rules, following timely filing and service of a Statement of Position, the petitioner is required to complete the enclosed Responsive Statement of Position form addressing issues raised in any Statement(s) of Position. The petitioner must file a complete, signed RSOP in response to all other parties' timely filed and served Statement of Position, with all required attachments, with this office and serve it on all parties named in the petition such that it is received by them by **noon Mountain Time** on **Friday, March 25, 2022.** This form solicits information that will facilitate entry into election agreements or streamline the pre-election hearing if the parties are unable to enter into an election agreement. **This form must be e-Filed, but unlike other e-Filed documents, will not be timely if filed on the due date but after noon Mountain Time.** If you have questions about this form or would like assistance in filling out this form, please contact the Board agent named above.

*Failure to Supply Information:* Failure to supply the information requested by the RSOP form may preclude you from litigating issues under Section 102.66(d) of the Board's Rules and Regulations. Section 102.66(d) provides as follows:

> A party shall be precluded from raising any issue, presenting any evidence relating to any issue, cross-examining any witness concerning any issue, and presenting argument concerning any issue that the party failed to raise in its timely Statement of Position or to place in dispute in response to another party's Statement of Position or response, except that no party shall be precluded from contesting or presenting evidence relevant to the Board's statutory jurisdiction to process the petition. Nor shall any party be precluded, on the grounds that a voter's eligibility or inclusion was not contested at the pre-election hearing, from challenging the eligibility of any voter during the election. If a party contends that the proposed unit is not appropriate in its Statement of Position but fails to specify the classifications, locations, or other employee groupings that must be added to or excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit, the party shall also be precluded from raising any issue as to the appropriateness of the unit, presenting any evidence relating to the appropriateness of the unit, cross-examining any witness concerning the appropriateness of the unit, and presenting argument concerning the appropriateness of the unit. If the employer fails to timely furnish the lists of employees described in §§ 102.63(b)(1)(iii), (b)(2)(iii), or (b)(3)(iii), the employer shall be precluded from contesting the appropriateness of the proposed unit at any time and from contesting the eligibility or inclusion of any individuals at the pre-election hearing, including by presenting evidence or argument, or by cross-examination of witnesses.

**Voter List:** If an election is held in this matter, the Employer must transmit to this office and to the other parties to the election, an alphabetized list of the full names and addresses of all eligible voters, including their shifts, job classifications, work locations, and other contact information including available personal email addresses and available personal home and cellular telephone numbers. Usually, the list must be furnished within 2 business days of the issuance of the Decision and Direction of Election or approval of an election agreement. The list must be electronically filed with the Region and served electronically on the other parties. To guard against potential abuse, this list may not be used for purposes other than the representation proceeding, NLRB proceedings arising from it or other related matters.

Under existing NLRB practice, an election is not ordinarily scheduled for a date earlier than 10 days after the date when the Employer must file the voter list with the Regional Office. However, a petitioner and/or union entitled to receive the voter list may waive all or part of the 10-day period by executing Form NLRB-4483, which is available on the NLRB's website or from an NLRB office. A waiver will not be effective unless all parties who are entitled to the voter list agree to waive the same number of days.

**Information Needed Now:** Please submit to this office, as soon as possible, the following information needed to handle this matter:

(a) The correct name of the Union as stated in its constitution or bylaws.

(b) A copy of any existing or recently expired collective-bargaining agreements, and any amendments or extensions, or any recognition agreements covering any employees in the petitioned-for unit.

(c) If potential voters will need notices or ballots translated into a language other than English, the names of those languages and dialects, if any.

(d) The name and contact information for any other labor organization (union) claiming to represent or have an interest in any of the employees in the petitioned-for unit and for any employer who may be a joint employer of the employees in the proposed unit. Failure to disclose the existence of an interested party may delay the processing of the petition.

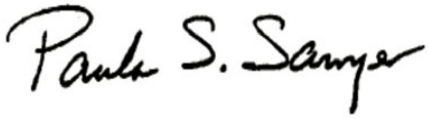
**Right to Representation:** You have the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before the NLRB. In view of our policy of processing these cases expeditiously, if you wish to be represented, you should obtain representation promptly. Your representative must notify us in writing of this fact as soon as possible by completing Form NLRB-4701, Notice of Appearance. This form is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request.

If someone contacts you about representing you in this case, please be assured that no organization or person seeking your business has any "inside knowledge" or favored relationship with the NLRB. Their knowledge regarding this matter was obtained only through access to information that must be made available to any member of the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

**Procedures:** Pursuant to Section 102.5 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, parties must submit all documentary evidence, including statements of position, exhibits, sworn statements, and/or other evidence, by electronically submitting (E-Filing) them through the Agency's web site (www.nlrb.gov). You must e-file all documents electronically or provide a written statement explaining why electronic submission is not possible or feasible. Failure to comply with Section 102.5 will result in rejection of your submission. The Region will make its determinations solely based on the documents and evidence properly submitted. All evidence submitted electronically should be in the form in which it is normally used and maintained in the course of business (i.e., native format). Where evidence submitted electronically is not in native format, it should be submitted in a manner that retains the essential functionality of the native format (i.e., in a machine-readable and searchable electronic format). If you have questions about the submission of evidence or expect to deliver a large quantity of electronic records, please promptly contact the Board agent investigating the petition.

Information about the NLRB and our customer service standards is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request. We can provide assistance for persons with limited English proficiency or disability. Please let us know if you or any of your witnesses would like such assistance.

Very truly yours,



PAULA S. SAWYER
Regional Director

Enclosures

1. Petition
2. Notice of Petition for Election (Form 5492)
3. Notice of Representation Hearing
4. Description of Procedures in Certification and Decertification Cases (Form 4812)
5. Statement of Position form and Commerce Questionnaire (Form 505)
6. Responsive Statement of Position (Form 506)

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Form NLRB-5492
(Rev: 12-2015)

# National Labor Relations Board

# NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ELECTION

**This notice is to inform employees that Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU has filed a petition with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), a Federal agency, in Case 27-RC-292032 seeking an election to become certified as the representative of the employees of Starbucks Corporation in the unit set forth below:**

**Include: All full-time and regular part-time Baristas and Shift Supervisors.**

**Excluded: Store managers, Office Clericals, Guards, Professional Employees, and Supervisors.**

**This notice also provides you with information about your basic rights under the National Labor Relations Act, the processing of the petition, and rules to keep NLRB elections fair and honest.**

## YOU HAVE THE RIGHT under Federal Law

- **To self-organization**
- **To form, join, or assist labor organizations**
- **To bargain collectively through representatives of your own choosing**
- **To act together for the purposes of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection**
- **To refuse to do any or all of these things unless the union and employer, in a state where such agreements are permitted, enter into a lawful union-security agreement requiring employees to pay periodic dues and initiation fees. Nonmembers who inform the union that they object to the use of their payments for nonrepresentational purposes may be required to pay only their share of the union's costs of representational activities (such as collective bargaining, contract administration, and grievance adjustments).**

## PROCESSING THIS PETITION

**Elections do not necessarily occur in all cases after a petition is filed. NO FINAL DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE YET regarding the appropriateness of the proposed unit or whether an election will be held in this matter. If appropriate, the NLRB will first see if the parties will enter into an election agreement that specifies the method, date, time, and location of an election and the unit of employees eligible to vote. If the parties do not enter into an election agreement, usually a hearing is held to receive evidence on the appropriateness of the unit and other issues in dispute. After a hearing, an election may be directed by the NLRB, if appropriate.**

**IF AN ELECTION IS HELD, it will be conducted by the NLRB by secret ballot and Notices of Election will be posted before the election giving complete details for voting.**

# ELECTION RULES

**The NLRB applies rules that are intended to keep its elections fair and honest and that result in a free choice. If agents of any party act in such a way as to interfere with your right to a free election, the election can be set aside by the NLRB. Where appropriate the NLRB provides other remedies, such as reinstatement for employees fired for exercising their rights, including backpay from the party responsible for their discharge.**

**The following are examples of conduct that interfere with employees' rights and may result in setting aside the election:**

- **Threatening loss of jobs or benefits by an employer or a union**
- **Promising or granting promotions, pay raises, or other benefits, to influence an employee's vote by a party capable of carrying out such promises**
- **An employer firing employees to discourage or encourage union activity or a union causing them to be fired to encourage union activity**
- **Making campaign speeches to assembled groups of employees on company time, where attendance is mandatory, within the 24-hour period before the polls for the election first open or, if the election is conducted by mail, from the time and date the ballots are scheduled to be sent out by the Region until the time and date set for their return**
- **Incitement by either an employer or a union of racial or religious prejudice by inflammatory appeals**
- **Threatening physical force or violence to employees by a union or an employer to influence their votes**

**Please be assured that IF AN ELECTION IS HELD, every effort will be made to protect your right to a free choice under the law. Improper conduct will not be permitted. All parties are expected to cooperate fully with the NLRB in maintaining basic principles of a fair election as required by law. The NLRB as an agency of the United States Government does not endorse any choice in the election.**

**For additional information about the processing of petitions, go to www.nlrb.gov or contact the NLRB at (303)844-3551.**

THIS IS AN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT NOTICE AND MUST NOT BE DEFACED BY ANYONE. IT MUST REMAIN POSTED WITH ALL PAGES SIMULTANEOUSLY VISIBLE UNTIL REPLACED BY THE NOTICE OF ELECTION OR THE PETITION IS DISMISSED OR WITHDRAWN.

**National Labor Relations Board**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**
**BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**
**REGION 27**

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| **Starbucks Corporation**<br>**Employer**<br>**and**<br>**Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU**<br>**Petitioner** | **Case 27-RC-292032** |

## NOTICE OF REPRESENTATION HEARING

The Petitioner filed the attached petition pursuant to Section 9(c) of the National Labor Relations Act. It appears that a question affecting commerce exists as to whether the employees in the unit described in the petition wish to be represented by a collective-bargaining representative as defined in Section 9(a) of the Act.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that, pursuant to Sections 3(b) and 9(c) of the Act, at 9:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022,** and on consecutive days thereafter until concluded, a hearing will be conducted by video or teleconference. The hearing will be conducted before a hearing officer of the National Labor Relations Board. At the hearing, the parties will have the right to appear in person or otherwise and give testimony.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, pursuant to Section 102.63(b) of the Board's Rules and Regulations, Starbucks Corporation must complete the Statement of Position and file it and all attachments with the Regional Director and serve it on the parties listed on the petition such that is received by them by no later than **noon** Mountain time on **Tuesday, March 22, 2022**. Following timely filing and service of a Statement of Position by Starbucks Corporation, the Petitioner must complete its Responsive Statement of Position(s) responding to the issues raised in the Employer's and/or Union's Statement of Position and file them and all attachments with the Regional Director and serve them on the parties named in the petition such that they are received by them no later than **noon** Mountain on **Friday, Mach 25, 2022.**

**Pursuant to Section 102.5 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, all documents filed in cases before the Agency must be filed by electronically submitting (E-Filing) through the Agency's website (www.nlrb.gov), unless the party filing the document does not have access to the means for filing electronically or filing electronically would impose an undue burden.** Documents filed by means other than E-Filing must be accompanied by a statement explaining why the filing party does not have access to the means for filing electronically or filing electronically would impose an undue burden. Detailed instructions for using the NLRB's E-Filing system can be found in the E-Filing System User Guide

The Statement of Position and Responsive Statement of Position must be E-Filed but, unlike other E-Filed documents, must be filed by **noon** Mountain on the due date in order to be timely. If an election agreement is signed by all parties and returned to the Regional Office before the due date of the Statement of Position, the Statement of Position and Responsive Statement of Position are not required to be filed. If an election agreement is signed by all parties and returned to the Regional office after the due date of the Statement of Position but before the due date of the Responsive Statement of Position, the Responsive Statement of Position is not required to be filed.

Dated: March 10, 2022

/s/ Paula S. Sawyer

PAULA S. SAWYER
REGIONAL DIRECTOR
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form for the list is provided on the NLRB website at www.nlrb.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/basic-page/node-4559/Optional Forms for Voter List.docx

Ordinarily the Statement of Position must be filed with the Regional Office and served on the other parties such that it is received by them by noon 8 business days from the issuance of the Notice of Hearing. The regional director may postpone the due date for filing and serving the Statement of Position for good cause. The Statement of Position form must be E-Filed but, unlike other E-Filed documents, will not be timely if filed on the due date but after noon in the time zone of the Region where the petition is filed. Consequences for failing to satisfy the Statement of Position requirement are discussed on the following page under the heading "Preclusion." A request to postpone the hearing will not automatically be treated as a request for an extension of the Statement of Position due date. If a party wishes to request both a postponement of the hearing and a postponement of the Statement of Position due date, the request must make that clear and must specify the reasons that postponements of both are sought.

**Responsive Statement of Position** – Petitioner's Responsive Statement(s) of Position solicits a response to the Statement(s) of Position filed by the other parties and further facilitates entry into election agreements or streamlines the preelection hearing. A petitioner must file a Responsive Statement of Position in response to each party's Statement of Position addressing each issue in each Statement of Position(s), if desired. In the case of an RM petition, the employer-petitioner must also provide commerce information and file and serve a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit. Ordinarily, the Responsive Statement of Position must be electronically filed with the Regional Office and served on the other parties such that it is received by noon 3 business days prior to the hearing. The regional director may postpone the due date for filing and serving the Responsive Statement of Position for good cause. The Responsive Statement of Position form must be E-Filed but, unlike other E-Filed documents, will not be timely if filed on the due date but after noon in the time zone of the Region where the petition is filed. Consequences for failing to satisfy the Responsive Statement of Position requirement are discussed on the following page under the heading "Preclusion." A request to postpone the hearing will not automatically be treated as a request for an extension of the Responsive Statement of Position due date. If a party wishes to request both a postponement of the hearing and a Postponement of the Responsive Statement of Position due date, the request must make that clear and must specify the reasons that postponements of both are sought.

**Posting and Distribution of Notice of Petition for Election** – Within 5 business days after service of the notice of hearing, the employer must post the Notice of Petition for Election in conspicuous places, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted, and must also distribute it electronically to the employees in the petitioned-for unit if the employer customarily communicates with these employees electronically. The employer must maintain the posting until the petition is dismissed or withdrawn, or the Notice of Petition for Election is replaced by the Notice of Election. The employer's failure properly to post or distribute the Notice of Petition for Election may be grounds for setting aside the election if proper and timely objections are filed.

**Election Agreements** – Elections can occur either by agreement of the parties or by direction of the regional director or the Board. Three types of agreements are available: (1) a Consent Election Agreement (Form NLRB-651); (2) a Stipulated Election Agreement (Form NLRB-652); and (3) a Full Consent Agreement (Form NLRB-5509). In the Consent Election Agreement and the Stipulated Election Agreement, the parties agree on an appropriate unit and the method, date, time, and place of a secret ballot election that will be conducted by an NLRB agent. In the Consent Agreement, the parties also agree that post-election matters (election objections or determinative challenged ballots) will be resolved with finality by the regional director; whereas in the Stipulated Election Agreement, the parties agree that they may request Board review of the regional director's post-election determinations. A Full Consent Agreement provides that the regional director will make final determinations regarding all pre-election and post-election issues.

**Hearing Cancellation Based on Agreement of the Parties** – The issuance of the Notice of Representation Hearing does not mean that the matter cannot be resolved by agreement of the parties. On the contrary, the NLRB encourages prompt voluntary adjustments and the Board agent assigned to the case will work with the parties to enter into an election agreement, so the parties can avoid the time and expense of participating in a hearing.

**Hearing** – A hearing will be held unless the parties enter into an election agreement approved by the regional director or the petition is dismissed or withdrawn.

***Purpose of Hearing*:** The primary purpose of a pre-election hearing is to determine if a question of representation exists. A question of representation exists if a proper petition has been filed concerning a unit

appropriate for the purpose of collective bargaining or, in the case of a decertification petition, concerning a unit in which a labor organization has been certified or is being currently recognized by the employer as the bargaining representative.

***Issues at Hearing*:** Issues that might be litigated at the pre-election hearing include: jurisdiction; labor organization status; bars to elections; unit appropriateness; expanding and contracting unit issues; inclusion of professional employees with nonprofessional employees; seasonal operation; potential mixed guard/non-guard unit; and eligibility formulas. At the hearing, the timely filed Statement of Position and Responsive Statement of Position(s) will be received into evidence. The hearing officer will not receive evidence concerning any issue as to which the parties have not taken adverse positions, except for evidence regarding the Board's jurisdiction over the employer and evidence concerning any issue, such as the appropriateness of the proposed unit, as to which the regional director determines that record evidence is necessary.

***Preclusion*:** At the hearing, a party will be precluded from raising any issue, presenting any evidence relating to any issue, cross-examining any witness concerning any issue, and presenting argument concerning any issue that the party failed to raise in its timely Statement of Position or Responsive Statement of Position(s) or to place in dispute in timely response to another party's Statement of Position or response, except that no party will be precluded from contesting or presenting evidence relevant to the Board's statutory jurisdiction to process the petition. Nor shall any party be precluded, on the grounds that a voter's eligibility or inclusion was not contested at the pre-election hearing, from challenging the eligibility of any voter during the election. If a party contends that the proposed unit is not appropriate in its Statement of Position but fails to specify the classifications, locations, or other employee groupings that must be added to or excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit, the party shall also be precluded from raising any issue as to the appropriateness of the unit, presenting any evidence relating to the appropriateness of the unit, cross examining any witness concerning the appropriateness of the unit, and presenting argument concerning the appropriateness of the unit. As set forth in §102.66(d) of the Board's rules, if the employer fails to timely furnish the lists of employees, the employer will be precluded from contesting the appropriateness of the proposed unit at any time and from contesting the eligibility or inclusion of any individuals at the pre-election hearing, including by presenting evidence or argument, or by cross-examination of witnesses.

***Conduct of Hearing*:** If held, the hearing is usually open to the public and will be conducted by a hearing officer of the NLRB. Any party has the right to appear at any hearing in person, by counsel, or by other representative, to call, examine, and cross-examine witnesses, and to introduce into the record evidence of the significant facts that support the party's contentions and are relevant to the existence of a question of representation. The hearing officer also has the power to call, examine, and cross-examine witnesses and to introduce into the record documentary and other evidence. Witnesses will be examined orally under oath. The rules of evidence prevailing in courts of law or equity shall not be controlling. Parties appearing at any hearing who have or whose witnesses have disabilities falling within the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and 29 C.F.R. 100.503, and who in order to participate in this hearing need appropriate auxiliary aids, as defined in 29 C.F.R. 100.503, should notify the regional director as soon as possible and request the necessary assistance.

***Official Record*:** An official reporter will make the only official transcript of the proceedings and all citations in briefs or arguments must refer to the official record. (Copies of exhibits should be supplied to the hearing officer and other parties at the time the exhibit is offered in evidence.) All statements made at the hearing will be recorded by the official reporter while the hearing is on the record. If a party wishes to make off-the-record remarks, requests to make such remarks should be directed to the hearing officer and not to the official reporter. After the close of the hearing, any request for corrections to the record, either by stipulation or motion, should be forwarded to the regional director.

***Motions and Objections*:** All motions must be in writing unless stated orally on the record at the hearing and must briefly state the relief sought and the grounds for the motion. A copy of any motion must be served immediately on the other parties to the proceeding. Motions made during the hearing are filed with the hearing officer. All other motions are filed with the regional director, except that motions made after the transfer of the record to the Board are filed with the Board. If not E-Filed, an original and two copies of written motions shall be filed. Statements of reasons in support of motions or objections should be as concise as possible. Objections shall not be deemed waived by further participation in the hearing. On appropriate request, objections may be permitted to stand to an entire line of questioning. Automatic exceptions will be allowed to all adverse rulings.

***Election Details*:** Prior to the close of the hearing the hearing officer will: (1) solicit the parties' positions (but will not permit litigation) on the type, date(s), time(s), and location(s) of the election and the eligibility period; (2) solicit the name, address, email address, facsimile number, and phone number of the employer's on-site representative to whom the regional director should transmit the Notice of Election if an election is directed; (3) inform the parties that the regional director will issue a decision as soon as practicable and will immediately transmit the document to the parties and their designated representatives by email, facsimile, or by overnight mail (if neither an email address nor facsimile number was provided); and (4) inform the parties of their obligations if the director directs an election and of the time for complying with those obligations.

***Oral Argument and Briefs*:** Upon request, any party is entitled to a reasonable period at the close of the hearing for oral argument, which will be included in the official transcript of the hearing. At any time before the close of the hearing, any party may file a memorandum addressing relevant issues or points of law. Post-hearing briefs shall be due within 5 business days of the close of the hearing. The hearing officer may allow up to 10 additional business days for such briefs prior to the close of hearing and for good cause. If filed, copies of the memorandum or brief shall be served on all other parties to the proceeding and a statement of such service shall be filed with the memorandum or brief. No reply brief may be filed except upon special leave of the regional director. Briefs including electronic documents, filed with the Regional Director must be formatted as double-spaced in an 8½ by 11 inch format and must be e-filed through the Board's website, www.nlrb.gov.

**Regional Director Decision** - After the hearing, the regional director issues a decision directing an election, dismissing the petition or reopening the hearing. A request for review of the regional director's pre-election decision may be filed with the Board at any time after issuance of the decision until 10 business days after a final disposition of the proceeding by the regional director. Accordingly, a party need not file a request for review before the election in order to preserve its right to contest that decision after the election. Instead, a party can wait to see whether the election results have mooted the basis of an appeal. The Board will grant a request for review only where compelling reasons exist therefor.

**Voter List** – The employer must provide to the regional director and the parties named in the election agreement or direction of election a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, job classifications, and contact information (including home addresses, available personal email addresses, and available home and personal cellular (''cell'') telephone numbers) of all eligible voters. (In construction industry elections, unless the parties stipulate to the contrary, also eligible to vote are all employees in the unit who either (1) were employed a total of 30 working days or more within the 12 months preceding the election eligibility date or (2) had some employment in the 12 months preceding the election eligibility date and were employed 45 working days or more within the 24 months immediately preceding the election eligibility date. However, employees meeting either of those criteria who were terminated for cause or who quit voluntarily prior to the completion of the last job for which they were employed, are not eligible.) The employer must also include in a separate section of the voter list the same information for those individuals whom the parties have agreed should be permitted to vote subject to challenge or those individuals who, according to the direction of election, will be permitted to vote subject to challenge. The list of names must be alphabetized (overall or by department) and be in the same Microsoft Word file (or Microsoft Word compatible file) format as the initial lists provided with the Statement of Position form unless the parties agree to a different format or the employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the list in the required form. When feasible, the list must be filed electronically with the regional director and served electronically on the other parties named in the agreement or direction. To be timely filed and served, the voter list must be received by the regional director and the parties named in the agreement or direction respectively within 2 business days after the approval of the agreement or issuance of the direction of elections unless a longer time is specified in the agreement or direction. A certificate of service on all parties must be filed with the regional director when the voter list is filed. The employer's failure to file or serve the list within the specified time or in proper format shall be grounds for setting aside the election whenever proper and timely objections are filed. The parties shall not use the list for purposes other than the representation proceeding, Board proceedings arising from it, and related matters.

**Waiver of Time to Use Voter List** – Under existing NLRB practice, an election is not ordinarily scheduled for a date earlier than 10 calendar days after the date when the employer must file the voter list with the Regional Office. However, the parties entitled to receive the voter list may waive all or part of the 10-day period by executing Form NLRB-4483. A waiver will not be effective unless all parties who are entitled to the list agree to waive the same number of days.

**Election** – Information about the election, requirements to post and distribute the Notice of Election, and possible proceedings after the election is available from the Regional Office and will be provided to the parties when the Notice of Election is sent to the parties.

**Withdrawal or Dismissal** – If it is determined that the NLRB does not have jurisdiction or that other criteria for proceeding to an election are not met, the petitioner is offered an opportunity to withdraw the petition. If the petitioner does not withdraw the petition, the regional director will dismiss the petition and advise the petitioner of the reason for the dismissal and of the right to appeal to the Board.

## REVIEW THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE FILLING OUT A STATEMENT OF POSITION FORM

**Completing and Filing this Form:** The Notice of Hearing indicates which parties are responsible for completing the form. If you are required to complete the form, you must have it signed by an authorized representative and file a completed copy (including all attachments) with the RD and serve copies on all parties named in the petition by the date and time established for its submission. If more space is needed for your answers, additional pages may be attached. If you have questions about this form or would like assistance in filling out this form, please contact the Board agent assigned to handle this case. **You must EFile your Statement of Position at www.nlrb.gov, but unlike other e-Filed documents, it will *not* be timely if filed on the due date but after noon in the time zone of the Region where the petition was filed.**

> **Note:** ***Non-employer parties who complete this Statement of Position are NOT required to complete items 8f and 8g of the form, or to provide a commerce questionnaire or the lists described in item 7.***

**Required Lists:** The employer's Statement of Position must include a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, and job classifications of all individuals in the proposed unit as of the payroll period preceding the filing of the petition who remain employed at the time of filing. If the employer contends that the proposed unit is inappropriate, the employer must separately list the full names, work locations, shifts and job classifications of all individuals that it contends must be added to the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. The employer must also indicate those individuals, if any, whom it believes must be excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit. These lists must be alphabetized (overall or by department). Unless the employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the lists in the required form, the lists must be in a table in a Microsoft Word file (.doc or .docx) or a file that is compatible with Microsoft Word, the first column of the table must begin with each employee's last name, and the font size of the list must be the equivalent of Times New Roman 10 or larger. That font does not need to be used but the font must be that size or larger. A sample, optional form for the list is provided on the NLRB website at **www.nlrb.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/basic-page/node-4559/Optional Forms for Voter List.docx**.

**Consequences of Failure to Supply Information:** Failure to supply the information requested by this form may preclude you from litigating issues under 102.66(d) of the Board's Rules and Regulations. Section 102.66(d) provides as follows:

> A party shall be precluded from raising any issue, presenting any evidence relating to any issue, cross-examining any witness concerning any issue, and presenting argument concerning any issue that the party failed to raise in its timely Statement of Position or to place in dispute in response to another party's Statement of Position or response, except that no party shall be precluded from contesting or presenting evidence relevant to the Board's statutory jurisdiction to process the petition. Nor shall any party be precluded, on the grounds that a voter's eligibility or inclusion was not contested at the pre-election hearing, from challenging the eligibility of any voter during the election. If a party contends that the proposed unit is not appropriate in its Statement of Position but fails to specify the classifications, locations, or other employee groupings that must be added to or excluded from the proposed unit to make it an appropriate unit, the party shall also be precluded from raising any issue as to the appropriateness of the unit, presenting any evidence relating to the appropriateness of the unit, cross-examining any witness concerning the appropriateness of the unit, and presenting argument concerning the appropriateness of the unit. If the employer fails to timely furnish the lists of employees described in §§102.63(b)(1)(iii), (b)(2)(iii), or (b)(3)(iii), the employer shall be precluded from contesting the appropriateness of the proposed unit at any time and from contesting the eligibility or inclusion of any individuals at the pre-election hearing, including by presenting evidence or argument, or by cross-examination of witnesses.

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**REGION 27**

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| **Starbucks Corporation**<br>**Employer**<br>**and**<br>**Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint, Board, Workers United/SEIU**<br>**Petitioner** | **Case 27-RC-292032**<br><br>**Case 27-RC-292041** |

## ORDER DIRECTING HEARINGS AD SERIATUM

The Petitioner filed the petitions in this matter pursuant to Section 9(c) of the National Labor Relations Act. It appears that a question affecting commerce exists as to whether the employees in the units described in the petitions wish to be represented by a collective-bargaining representative as defined in Section 9(a) of the Act.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that, pursuant to Sections 3(b) and 9(c) of the Act, the hearings in the above-entitled matters, which are scheduled to be conducted by videoconference before a hearing officer on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022,** at **9:00 a.m. (MT)**, shall be heard ad seriatum. The hearing in 27-RC-292041 will, therefore, be held at the close of the first hearing in 27-RC-292032. However, if the hearing is not held as scheduled in 27-RC-292032, then the hearing in 27-RC-292041 shall be held at 9:00 a.m. (MT) on the scheduled date. The hearings will continue on consecutive days thereafter until concluded. At the hearings, the parties will have the right to appear by video and give testimony.

Dated: March 23, 2022

/s/ Paula S. Sawyer

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**REGION 27**

**STARBUCKS CORPORATION**

**Employer**

**and** **Case 27-RC-292032**

**CHICAGO AND MIDWEST REGIONAL JOINT BOARD, WORKERS UNITED/SEIU**

**Petitioner**

# ORDER TO SUBMIT OFFER OF PROOF

On March 10, 2022, Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU (Petitioner) filed a petition pursuant to Section 9(c) of the National Labor Relations Act seeking to represent a unit of baristas and shift supervisors working at the Employer's store located at 1455 S. Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado. On March 22, 2022, in accordance with the Board's Rules and Regulations, the Employer filed a Statement of Position (SOP) in this matter, stating the Employer intends to present evidence urging the Region to dismiss the instant petition and direct a multi-location election to include all baristas and shift supervisors working in the 8 Starbucks stores in District 4550. The Employer states in its SOP the single-facility bargaining unit sought by the Petitioner is not appropriate because: (1) the only appropriate unit is a district-wide unit including all 8 stores in District 4550; and (2) the Petitioner's selective filing of a single store representation petition violates Section 9(c)(5) of the Act.

The Regional Director's authority to determine the issues in dispute at the hearing is set forth in Section 102.66(c) of the Board's Rules and Regulations, as follows:

> ***Offers of proof***. The Regional Director shall direct the Hearing Officer concerning the issues to be litigated at the hearing. The Hearing Officer may solicit offers of proof from the parties or their counsel as to any or all such issues. Offers of proof shall take the form of a written statement or an oral statement on the record identifying each witness the party would call to testify concerning the issue and summarizing each witness's testimony. If the Regional Director determines that the evidence described in an offer of proof is insufficient to sustain the proponent's position, the evidence shall not be received. But in no event shall a party be precluded from introducing relevant evidence otherwise consistent with this subpart.

See also Casehandling Manual, Part Two, Representation Proceedings, § 11226 (September 2020), (providing for the use of offers of proof "to focus and define issues and provide a foundation to accept or exclude evidence").

Recently, the Board denied the Employer's request for review on the issue of a single versus multi-store unit involving a store and district in Mesa, Arizona. See *Starbucks*

*Corporation*, 371 NLRB No. 71 (2022) (*Mesa I*). In that case, the Board upheld the Regional Director's decision in Case 28–RC–286556 that the Employer did not meet its heavy burden to overcome the presumption that the petitioned-for single store units were appropriate. The Board specifically concluded with respect to the interchange factor that statistics provided by the Employer were insufficient as they did not establish regularity or frequency of interchange. With respect to centralized operations and local autonomy, the Board concluded that the Employer failed to meet its burden that its technologies and corporate leadership negated the store managers' autonomy over certain personnel matters in the day-to-day operation of individual stores. The Board also concluded that the Employer failed to meet its burden that remaining factors under the Board's single-facility test, including similarity of employee skills, functions, working conditions, geographic proximity, and bargaining history, were sufficient to rebut the single-facility presumption in the context of the Board's multi-factor analysis.

Further, in an unpublished decision dated March 22, 2022, *Starbucks Corporation*, 2022 WL 685506, the Board denied review of the Regional Director's Decision and Direction of Election in Case 19-RC-287954, noting that the Employer's evidence of interchange "have the same shortcomings" identified in the Board's *Mesa I* decision, above, in that the evidence failed to establish regular interchange, and instead demonstrated limited and infrequent interchange between the petitioned-for employees in a single store and those in stores within the district. See, also, unpublished decision dated March 23, 2022, *Starbucks Corporation*, 10-RC-288098.

Based on the above,

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Employer submit an Offer of Proof, in writing, detailing what *distinct and different* facts and evidence from that presented in Cases 03-RC-282115, 03-RC-282127 and 03-RC-282139 (*Buffalo I*); Cases 03-RC-285929, 03-RC-285986 and 03-RC-285989 (*Buffalo II*); Case 28-RC-286556 (*Mesa I*); Case 28-RC-289033 (*Mesa II*); Case 27-RC-288318 (*Superior*); and Case 27-RC-289608 (*Denver – Colfax*) that the Employer intends to present regarding the single vs. multi-facility unit issue, including by answering the following questions:

1. Is the evidence regarding the central control over daily operations and labor relations, including the extent of local autonomy, substantially different for the petitioned-for unit than the evidence presented in the case numbers cited above? If so, please describe the specific evidence regarding how the operations are distinct and different. To what extent, if any, does the local autonomy in daily operations and labor relations differ from that described in the evidence presented in the case numbers cited above?

2. Is the Employer's evidence regarding the use of technological tools to control daily operations and labor relations substantially different for the petitioned-for unit than the evidence presented in the case numbers cited above? If so, please describe the specific evidence regarding how the businesses are distinct and different.

3. Is the Employer's evidence in this case concerning local store management's day-to-day supervision of employees and involvement in scheduling, staffing, rating employee performance, hiring and firing, discipline, and handling employee grievances substantially different from the evidence presented in the case numbers cited above? If

so, please describe the specific evidence regarding how the businesses are distinct and different. Specifically, what evidence and testimony will you provide that shows the store manager at Store #49417 does not play a significant role in:

a. Adjusting schedules;
b. Approving time off and overtime;
c. Evaluating employees;
d. Conducting interviews and hiring employees;
e. Imposing discipline?

4. What are the geographic distances between the petitioned-for store and the other stores in District 4550?

5. Will the Employer's method of analyzing interchange data in this case differ from the that presented in 28-RC-286556, wherein the Employer utilized an expert witness to present certain summaries and graphic representations of interchange, such as the percentages of employees who have worked in a single store as compared to those who worked in multiple stores; average percentages of total workdays where borrowed employees were required; and percentages of home store employees working at the petitioned-for store as compared to those assigned to other home stores? If the analyses and methodology will differ from that presented in Case 28-RC-286665, explain how it will differ.

6. In *Mesa I*, the Board concluded that that the Employer's analyses of the data in that case did not show how often the petitioned-for employees worked at other locations and how often "borrowed" employees worked at the petitioned-for location. Accordingly, with respect to the issue of interchange, and given the burden to rebut a single store presumption, please provide the following information since April 2019 with respect to baristas and shift supervisors:

   a. The percentage of total hours worked at Store #49417 by borrowed employees whose assigned home stores are at other stores in District 4550.

   b. The percentage of total shifts worked at Store #49417 by borrowed employees whose assigned home stores are at other stores in District 4550.

   c. The percentage of total hours worked at other stores in District 4550 by borrowed employees whose assigned home store is Store #49417.

   d. The percentage of total shifts worked at other stores in District 4550 by borrowed employees whose assigned home store is Store #49417.

7. With regard to the percentages provided by the Employer in response to 6 above, what evidence does the Employer intend to present that any of the borrowed hours and shifts worked were not voluntary?

8. To what extent, if any, do the procedures to arrange, request, and accept shift swaps between stores differ from the procedures described in the evidence presented in the case numbers cited above? Please describe the specific evidence regarding how the evidence is distinct and different.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Employer's Offer of Proof be submitted, in writing, no later than 12:00 p.m. (MT) on Monday, March 28, 2022.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Employer and the Petitioner submit a written statement detailing which portions of the records in *Buffalo I, Buffalo II, Mesa I, Mesa II,* and *Superior,* or particular records in any other cases, are relevant to this case, and explaining their relevance. Please cite to specific exhibits, witness testimony and transcript pages, no later than 12:00 p.m. (MT) on Monday, March 28, 2022.

Dated: March 24, 2022

/s/ *Paula S. Sawyer*

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# STIPULATED ELECTION AGREEMENT

**Starbucks Corporation** **Case 27-RC-292032**

The parties **AGREE AS FOLLOWS:**

**1. PROCEDURAL MATTERS.** The parties waive their right to a hearing and agree that any notice of hearing previously issued in this matter is withdrawn, that the petition is amended to conform to this Agreement, and that the record of this case shall include this Agreement and be governed by the Board's Rules and Regulations.

**2. COMMERCE.** The Employer is engaged in commerce within the meaning of Section 2(6) and (7) of the National Labor Relations Act and a question affecting commerce has arisen concerning the representation of employees within the meaning of Section 9(c).

The Employer, Starbucks Corporation, a Washington corporation with headquarters located in Seattle, Washington, and facilities located throughout the United States, is engaged in the retail operation of coffee shops, including Store #49417 located at 1455 S. Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80905. During the past twelve months, a representative period, the Employer in conducting its business operations derived gross revenues in excess of $500,000, and purchased and received goods valued in excess of $5,000 at the above-referenced Store directly from points located outside the State of Colorado.

**3. LABOR ORGANIZATION.** The Petitioner is an organization in which employees participate, and which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours of employment, or conditions of work and is a labor organization within the meaning of Section 2(5) of the Act.

**4. ELECTION.** The election will be conducted by United States mail. The mail ballots will be mailed to employees employed in the appropriate collective-bargaining unit from the office of the National Labor Relations Board, Region 27, on **Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. (MT)**. Voters must return their mail ballots so that they will be received in the National Labor Relations Board, Region 27 office by **2:00 p.m. (MT) on Thursday, May 19, 2022**. The mail ballots will be counted at the Region 27 office located at Byron Rogers Federal Office Building, 1961 Stout Street, Suite 13-103, Denver, CO 80294 at **2:00 p.m. (MT) on Thursday, May 19, 2022** by videoconference. No party may make a video or audio recording or save any image of the ballot count.

Voters must sign the outside of the envelope in which the ballot is returned. Any ballot received in an envelope that is not signed will be void.

If any eligible voter does not receive a mail ballot by **May 5, 2022**, or otherwise requires a duplicate mail ballot kit, he or she should contact the Region 27 office immediately in order to arrange for another mail ballot kit to be sent to that employee.

If the election and/or count is postponed or canceled, the Regional Director, in his or her discretion, may reschedule the date, time, and place of the election.

**5. UNIT AND ELIGIBLE VOTERS.** The following unit is appropriate for the purposes of collective bargaining within the meaning of Section 9(b) of the Act:

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**Included**: All full-time and regular part-time baristas and shift supervisors employed by the Employer at its Store #49417 located in Colorado Springs, CO.

**Excluded:** All Store Managers, office clerical employees, confidential employees, managerial employees, professional employees, guards, and supervisors, as defined in the Act.

Those eligible to vote in the election are employees in the above unit who were employed during the **payroll period ending March 27, 2022**, including employees who did not work during that period because they were ill, on vacation, or were temporarily laid off. In a mail ballot election, employees are eligible to vote if they are in the above unit on both the payroll period ending date and on the date they mail in their ballots to the Board's designated office.

Employees engaged in any economic strike, who have retained their status as strikers and who have not been permanently replaced are also eligible to vote. In addition, employees engaged in an economic strike which commenced less than 12 months before the election date, who have retained their status as strikers but who have been permanently replaced, as well as their replacements are eligible to vote. Employees who are otherwise eligible but who are in the military services of the United States may vote if they appear in person at the polls or by mail as described above in paragraph 4.

Ineligible to vote are (1) employees who have quit or been discharged for cause after the designated payroll period for eligibility, and, in a mail ballot election, before they mail in their ballots to the Board's designated office, (2) employees engaged in a strike who have been discharged for cause since the commencement thereof and who have not been rehired or reinstated before the election date, and (3) employees engaged in an economic strike which began more than 12 months before the election date who have been permanently replaced.

**Others permitted to vote:** The parties have agreed that assistant store managers may vote in the election, but their ballots will be challenged since their eligibility has not been resolved. No decision has been made regarding whether the individuals in this classification or group are included in, or excluded from, the bargaining unit. The eligibility or inclusion of these individuals will be resolved, if necessary, following the election.

**6. VOTER LIST.** Within 2 business days after the Regional Director has approved this Agreement, the Employer must provide to the Regional Director and all of the other parties a voter list of the full names, work locations, shifts, job classifications, and contact information (including home addresses, available personal email addresses, and available personal home and cellular telephone numbers) of all eligible voters. The Employer must also include, in a separate section of that list, the same information for those individuals whom the parties have agreed should be permitted to vote subject to challenge. The list must be filed in common, everyday electronic file formats that can be searched. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, the list must be provided in a table in a Microsoft Word file (.doc or docx) or a file that is compatible with Microsoft Word (.doc or docx). The first column of the list must begin with each employee's last name and the list must be alphabetized (overall or by department) by last name. The font size of the list must be the equivalent of Times New Roman 10 or larger. That font does not need to be used but the font must be that size or larger. When feasible, the list must be filed electronically with the Regional Director and served electronically on the parties. The Employer must file with the Regional Director a certificate of service of the list on all parties.

**7. THE BALLOT.** The Regional Director, in his or her discretion, will decide the language(s) to be used on the election ballot. All parties should notify the Region as soon as possible of the need to have the Notice of Election and/or ballots translated.

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The question on the ballot will be “Do you wish to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining by Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU?” The choices on the ballot will be "Yes" or "No".

**8. NOTICE OF ELECTION.** The Regional Director, in his or her discretion, will decide the language(s) to be used on the Notice of Election. The Employer must post copies of the Notice of Election in conspicuous places, including all places where notices to employees in the unit are customarily posted, at least three (3) full working days prior to 12:01 a.m. of the day the ballots are mailed to employees. The Employer must also distribute the Notice of Election electronically, if the Employer customarily communicates with employees in the unit electronically. Failure to post or distribute the Notice of Election as required shall be grounds for setting aside the election whenever proper and timely objections are filed.

**9. NOTICE OF ELECTION ONSITE REPRESENTATIVE.** The following individual will serve as the Employer’s designated Notice of Election onsite representative:

Jeff Wills, Regional Director
1455 S Nevada Ave, Colorado Springs, CO 80905
Phone: 303-512-3302
Email: jewills@starbucks.com

**10. ACCOMMODATIONS REQUIRED.** All parties should notify the Region as soon as possible of any voters, potential voters, or other participants in this election who have handicaps falling within the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and 29 C.F.R. 100.503, and who in order to participate in the election need appropriate auxiliary aids, as defined in 29 C.F.R. 100.503, and request the necessary assistance.

**11. OBSERVERS.** Because this election will be conducted by mail, each party may select an equal number of authorized observers for the purposes of identification, to challenge the eligibility of voters, and to verify the tally. Since the mail ballots will have already been marked at the time of receipt, the Employer may designate supervisory employees as observers and the Petitioner may designate union officials.

**12. TALLY OF BALLOTS.** Upon conclusion of the election, the ballots will be counted and a tally of ballots prepared and immediately made available to the parties.

**13. POSTELECTION AND RUNOFF PROCEDURES.** All procedures after the ballots are counted shall conform with the Board's Rules and Regulations.

**14. NON-PRECEDENT SETTING.** The details set forth in this stipulated election agreement do not create precedent and are only applicable to this case and therefore neither the Employer nor the Petitioner (or any of its affiliates) will attempt to reference or use this stipulated election agreement in any proceeding other than in Case 27-RC-292032, and no party waives any rights to litigate issues in any other proceeding.

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| Starbucks Corporation | Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU |
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| (Employer) | (Petitioner) |
| **By:** Adam-Paul Tuzzo 3/29/2022 | **By:** 3/29/2022 |
| (Signature) (Date) | (Signature) (Date) |
| **Print Name:** Adam-Paul Tuzzo | **Print Name:** Elizabeth L. Rowe, Attorney |

**Recommended:** Stephanie Stroup Scaffidi 3/29/22
STEPHANIE STROUP SCAFFIDI, Field Examiner (Date)

**Date approved:** 3/30/2022

***/s/ Paula Sawyer***
**Regional Director, Region 27**
**National Labor Relations Board**

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**Type of Election:**
***(Check one:)***

- [x] Stipulation
- [ ] Board Direction
- [ ] Consent Agreement
- [ ] RD Direction
  Incumbent Union (Code)

***(If applicable check either or both:)***

- [ ] 8(b) (7)
- [x] Mail Ballot

# TALLY OF BALLOTS

The undersigned agent of the Regional Director certifies that the results of tabulation of ballots case in the election held in the above case, and concluded on the date indicated above, were as follows:

1. Approximate number of eligible voters ..... 24
2. Number of Void ballots ..... 0
3. Number of Votes cast for Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU ..... 13
4. Number of Votes cast for ..... —
5. Number of Votes cast for ..... —
6. Number of Votes cast against participating labor organization(s) ..... 0
7. Number of Valid votes counted (sum 3, 4, 5, and 6) ..... 13.
8. Number of challenged ballots ..... 1
9. Number of Valid votes counted plus challenged ballots (sum of 7 and 8) ..... 14.
10. Challenges are (not) sufficient in number to affect the results of the election.
11. A majority of the valid votes counted plus challenged ballots (Item 9) has (not) been cast for Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board Workers United/SEIU

For the Regional Director [signature]

The undersigned acted as authorized observers in the counting and tabulating of ballots indicated above. We hereby certify that the counting and tabulating were fairly and accurately done, that the secrecy of the ballots was maintained, and that the results were as indicated above. We also acknowledge service of this tally.

For Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU — Ean Chavez — via Zoom

For Starbucks Corporation — Monika Sisiak — via Zoom

For

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# NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

## NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Chicago and Midwest Regional Joint Board, Workers United/SEIU

and

Starbucks Corporation

**CASE** 27-RC-292032

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