

UCLRG Status Report  
July 29, 2017

This has been a very busy year for our efforts. We have been to court four times already this year. This will provide a brief update.

### Class List

We learned last year that the Regents had not provided a complete class list in January 2015. The list had only 4,437 names. After much research, we learned that the class list was deficient and asked the Regents for a complete class list. When they refused, we filed a motion asking the court for an order the Regents to provide a complete list.

On February 22, 2017, the court agreed and ordered the Regents to provide a complete class list within 30 days. The court commented in its order that “Petitioners acted reasonably and diligently under the circumstances”

Then, the Regents failed to comply within 30 days, and we had to ask the Court to schedule another case management conference. (A case management conference, or CMC, is a conference with the judge, held in open court, to provide an update on the case.)

A few days later, the Regents backed down and stipulated that the class list contained over 9,000 people, that is, more than twice the number on the earlier class list.

### Notice to Class Members Who Did Not Receive Notice

The class list provided in 2015 was deficient because it omitted spouses, surviving spouses, dependents, and class members who had passed away.

Fortunately, we now have a complete class list. Unfortunately, we have to give notice to everyone who did not receive proper notice in January 2015. We are in the process of compiling mailing list and sending out the second notice.

We will have to bear the cost of sending this notice.

### Motions for Summary Adjudication

The case is proceeding. Both sides have filed motions for “summary adjudication” which are now scheduled to be heard on September 20, 2017. (Summary adjudication is a procedure asking the court to rule on the case without a trial because the relevant evidence is not in dispute.)

Our motion for summary adjudication asks the court to reinstate University-sponsored group health care benefits. The Regents' motion asks the court to throw out the entire case.

We hope to win our motion and defeat the Regents' motion. But of course, the final decision will be up to the court.

### Trial

Assuming we win our motion and the Regents lose their motion, we will need to go ahead with a trial to prove damages.

We have retained experts to testify about damages. Experts are expensive. We expect expert costs will exceed the funds we have raised so far. We will need to raise at least \$50,000 more to pay the experts, so we hope that you will be able to continue your support.

We are all advancing in years. Most of us hoped to be enjoying the fruits of our labor, not having to fight for benefits that were guaranteed during our retirement. But our only choice is to continue our fight.

As we have said before, no one could take on this battle individually, but together we can succeed.

Right now, about 1,000 of us are shouldering the burden for the entire class. Donations have ranged from \$2.40 to \$1,000 or more. Several people donate from \$30 to \$100 each month.

Please give whatever you can afford. Together we can meet the cost. Whatever you can afford is greatly appreciated.

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