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CofC Comes Out Against Bannering

The Greater Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce announced its official opposition Tuesday to the practice of "bannering" – the tactic of a union targeting local business owners for using contractors and subcontractors that employ nonunion workers with large signs "shaming" the business.

"Local business owners are being targeted by Carpenters Local 1319 through bannering," Don Kawal, chairman of the chamber's Unfair Labor Practices Task Force and a former chamber chairman, said in a news release.

"By bannering, the union is attempting to persuade the building owner or contractor to change to a union subcontractor. The bannering has been claiming that the contractors do not meet local labor standards for wages and benefits. This is not true and is not supported by fact. In addition, the practice creates the false impression that targeted businesses are involved in labor disputes with their own employees," he said.

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