

## [Aguilar Sends Minion to Lie to the Troops](#)

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From Local 2544 Tucson, Arizona:

Chief Aguilar has sent one of his associates, Jeff Self, from Border Patrol HQ in Washington D.C. (unsure of specific title, there are now hundreds of them) to appear unannounced at musters in the Tucson Sector. This is a violation of the “formal meeting” law, which will be addressed separately with the FLRA via an Unfair Labor Practice charge. Self is asking agents about the “vote of no confidence”, how HQ “can improve communications with agents”, and about “billboards” that this Local is considering placing along state highways and interstates in the Tucson Sector. Self has appeared unannounced so far at the Nogales and Tucson stations for the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. musters respectively. We believe he will hit the noon muster at the Casa Grande station unannounced as well.

This is another obvious and blatant attempt by the Aguilar regime to illegally bypass the Union and present their biased point of view directly to the agents (note to Chief Aguilar: the agents have a legally certified “union” with elected representatives that you are supposed to speak with, but let’s not get into technical details here). One agent in Nogales properly asked Self why Aguilar wasn’t talking to the Union if he wanted to “improve communications” with the troops as he claimed. Self incorrectly stated that Aguilar had been talking to the Union. We’re not sure which “union” he’s talking about, but perhaps he has us confused with a firefighters union. Since Mr. Aguilar and his associates have once again failed to follow the law, one might assume that he is unaware of the “formal meeting” statute. However, Mr. Aguilar was routinely hammered with ULP charges when he was the CPA here for the same violations, which resulted in the FLRA ordering him to notify the Local 2544 president any time he wanted to meet with rank-and-file agents so that the Local could have a representative present to answer questions and present our point of view.