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MWD management union fires first legal shot across the bow

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The day *before* the **Metropolitan Water District of Southern California** pulled contentious union contracts off the table, the union representing its *managers and professionals* threatened to sue if, indeed, it did so.

(In case you missed it, it was the managers and professionals - i.e., the most highly-paid folks, with the most time in - who stood to gain the most from the sweetened pension formula that was at the core of the controversy.)

"This office represents the **Management and Professional Employees Association** of the Metropolitan Water District, AFSCME Local 1001 ("MAPA")," says the Oct. 9 letter. "I write this letter to advise you that in the event that the Metropolitan Water District should repudiate its negotiated labor agreement with MAPA, MAPA will immediately seek legal remedies against the District."

The folks who sent us this letter would like us to stress that it is *not* the rank-and-file employees who are threatening to sue; it's the white collar types. See the full letter here: met-management-union-plans-to-sue.