

August 31, 2006

Greetings! My name is Randy Ortega and I have worked at UCSF since November 3, 2003. My career moves have taken me from the Dermatology/Pathology as an AAIL, to Psychiatry, and to Radiology as an AAIIL. On August 30, 2006, I was selected among the many applicants by the Turnaround Advisory Board at University of California, San Francisco to be a mentor to other AA's for the UCSF Mentoring Program.

Prior to my employment with UCSF, I was in private industry for a number of years with American Express. I also worked more than 20 years for the American Red Cross as a manager. I know both sides of the table – management and union.

My career has been spent encouraging people to follow their dreams, to build experience and capitalize on their opportunities. That is the mission of our union and I would like the opportunity to apply my vision of opportunity through strength to CUE. I have worked through CUE in San Francisco, helping increase the membership. In particular, I would like to see CUE do these things statewide: 1) Enhance the membership, 2) Develop greater interaction across campuses throughout the State – including an annual statewide membership meeting, 3) Work to protect our pension and health benefits.

I enjoy helping people, listening and talking to people. I would appreciate the opportunity to work for you and with you to make CUE the strongest it can be. CUE will be a leader amongst unions, to have your respect and your appreciation for the best wages, working conditions and opportunities possible. Together we can accomplish much. I ask for you to vote for me for Vice President, Northern California.

Sincerely,
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