



## NEWSLETTER

May 2017



### **Dear Colleagues,**

I hope the end of the semester went smoothly for you. As we look forward to the summer, many of us are looking at vacation time. But many others are scrambling to find courses and worried about loss of income during this period. I want to encourage those of you who have not found courses to apply for Unemployment Insurance.

William T. Quinlan,  
*UAFP President*

### **Apply for Unemployment Benefits**

In the last days of the Obama administration, Assistant Secretary of Education Portia Wu sent out a memo to state agencies. It made clear that Adjunct Faculty "have no reasonable assurance of re-employment in the Fall." In that situation, they are entitled to unemployment benefits.

In the past, your union has supported two members who were denied benefits. They were represented by UAFP attorney, Harvey Mars, who won both cases. If you are denied benefits, or if Pace challenges your right to benefits, you, too, will be supported by your union. If you have no income for the summer, apply for this assistance. You have earned it!

### **UAFP Vice President Successfully Resolves Disputes**

I'd also like to congratulate Vice President Dan Rosen for success in two cases he has handled recently. A professor was told that her compensation was not correct and that she would be receiving half of the promised amount. Dan worked with Pace to resolve the problem and the professor will receive her full salary. In a second case, a professor was denied a promotion. Dan investigated and cleared up the problem. The promotion was granted. These issues take enormous time and patience. We are fortunate to have Dan fighting on our side.

### **New Office Manager**

Our new Office Manager, Monica Swierczewski, started work last week. Welcome! We are excited to have her join the team.

Monica will be in the office:

**Tuesdays & Thursdays: 10 am - 3 pm**  
**Office phone number: 212-766-1600**

Should you wish to speak with Monica in person, the office address is:

**139 Fulton Street - Suite 708, New York, NY 10038**

Finally, whether you are on a trip, doing research, teaching or just "catching up" I hope the summer is a time of relaxation and renewal for you. I look forward to working with you again in the Fall.

In solidarity,  
William Quinlan  
President, UAFP

