What kind of representation are you entitled to?

MEA has a duty to represent members ("duty of fair representation" or DFR). They are entitled to fair, impartial, and non-discriminatory service.

Our members have the right to representation in the following instances:

- 1. meetings with employer in which discipline is a possibility
- 2. interactions with management in "highly unusual circumstances"
- 3. when employee complains about contract violations
- 4. when the employee wishes to discuss contractual entitlements (e.g., leave of absence) prior to a district decision
- 5. when the employee makes non-contractual complaints against the employer

There is no right to representation for

- 1. routine interactions with a supervisor
- 2. receipt of a notice of previously determined discipline
- 3. receipt of a work directive
- 4. routine formal evaluation procedures
- 5. grievances against fellow members