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Jonah J. Lalas is a partner at Rothner, Segall & Greenstone, where he represents labor unions. His career in the labor movement began in 2002 when he joined the Service Employees International Union and organized private sector health care workers in California. Jonah then moved to Texas where, as an organizing director, he led a campaign to organize the 13,000 City of Houston public sector employees. In 2012, Jonah graduated from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law. He then served as a law clerk to Judge Dolly M. Gee at the Central District of California and Judge Raymond C. Fisher at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Jonah currently serves as outside counsel to the Writers Guild of America West. He has written about the labor movement in Newsweek, The Hill, and The Progressive. Recently, two months before the Writers Guild kicked off what the media called the "hot labor summer," Jonah represented a San Diego-based United Food and Commercial Workers local in federal district court. Crossing off an item from his labor-lawyer bucket list, he defeated a company's effort to enjoin sugar factory workers from striking.