## 1,250 janitors fired over immigration

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An <u>immigration</u> attorney says approximately <u>1,250</u> undocumented <u>janitors</u> in the Twin Cities were <u>fired</u> from their jobs in October as their company checked <u>immigration</u> papers.

The <u>janitors</u> worked for ABM Industries Inc., a New-York based company that provides janitorial services, said John Keller, an attorney for the nonprofit Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota.

Keller said the workers' union called his office in early June for legal advice. He says ABM had sent employees letters that said *Immigration* and Customs Enforcement was requiring workers to show documents proving they had legal status to work in the U.S.

Keller said the vast majority of the <u>1,250</u> <u>fired</u> workers were undocumented. Keller said that to his knowledge, no one was arrested or deported.

ICE spokesman Tim Counts said the agency doesn't discuss ongoing enforcement activity.

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