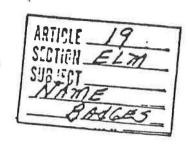


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Attleboro, MA 02703

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Dear Mr. Wilson:

On November 16, 1982, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

At our discussion, we determined that this grievance was similar to national level grievance HIC-NA-C6, which has been certified for arbitration. Therefore, we mutually agreed to hold this case in abeyance pending a decision on that grievance.

The arbitrator rendered this decision on May 2, 1983. concluded the Postal Service policy as regards the name badge requirement is fair, reasonable and equitable, and not inconsistent with the National Agreement. Accordingly, we agreed to close this grievance on that basis. .....

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision as your acknowledgment of agreement to close this case.

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Employee & Labor Rel: LIST Manual, Sec. 516.'I Public Law 91-563 Article XIX Article IX

## INTERPRETATION

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A8-W-0046 Denver,BMC, Colorado ELM. NLRBATT.

EMPLOYEES ARE ENTITLED TO LEAVE AND ARE PERFORMING OFFICIAL DUTY WHEN SUBPONENAED BY NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD TO TESTIFY AS WITNESS IN ANY CAPACITY

Article X, Section 2:

"The leave regulations in Subchapter 510 of the Employee and Labor Relations Manual, insofar as such regulations establish wages, hours, and working conditions of employees covered by this Agreement, shall remain en effect for the life of this Agreement".

The grievience alleged that management improperly denied administrative leave to two employees when they were subpoenaed to testify before the National Labor Relations Board.

The remedy requested the grievants be granted eight (8) hours of court leave in lieu of LWOP or equivalent.

Step 4 Settlement, August 28, 1979:

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"During our discussion, we concluded that at issue in this grievance is whether Postal Service employees are performing official duty when subpoenaed by the National Labor Relations Board to testify as witnesses in any capacity.

\*After reviewing the information available, it is our position that by virtue of P.L. 91-563 amended by 5 U.S.C. 6322, and now addressed in the Employee and Relations Manual 516.41, such employees are performing offical duty during the period with respect to which they are summoned to testify or produce official records on behalf of the United States. In this case the National Labor Relations Board is considered an agency of the United States, thus whether the testimony is favorable to the Postal Service, adverse to the Postal Service, or unrelated to the Postal Service, such testimony is considered as performing offical duty.

"By copy of this letter, the Postmaster is instructed to make the necessary pay adjustments."