



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
Washington, DC 20260

August 31, 1981

1978 AGREEMENT

ARTICLE 31 SECTION _____
SUBJECT INFORMATION
REQUESTS

Mr. Kenneth D. Wilson
Administrative Aide, Clerk Craft
American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO
817 - 14th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

Re: Class Action
Jacksonville, FL 32203
H8C-3W-C-27453

2/29 18-5

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On August 14, 1981, we met with you to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The matters presented by you as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration.

The question in this grievance is whether or not management violated Article XXXI of the National Agreement when it denied a steward's request for copies of examination material.

In the instant case, the shop steward requested copies of a Clerk Stenographer examination. He was told that the local office did not keep such information on file.

Under the provisions of the 1978 National Agreement, Unions have access to review documents or other records necessary to the processing of a grievance. Such information is only made available for inspection, however, in a manner in keeping with the Employee and Labor Relations (E&LR) Manual, Parts 313.54 and 313.61. The records requested were not on file in the local office and appeared to come under the restriction of the E&LR Manual, Part 313.61d.

Accordingly, as we find no violation of the National Agreement, this grievance is denied.

Sincerely,

Samuel Williams
Samuel Williams
Labor Relations Department