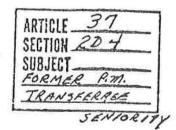


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March 31, 1983



Mr. Kenneth D. Wilson Assistant Director Clerk Division American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO 817 - 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005-3399

> Re: Class Action Olathe, KS 66061 HlC-4H-C 10183

ear Mr. Wilson:

On March 11, 1983, we met 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 issue in this grievance is whether management was proper in establishing the seniority of a transferred employee.

After further review of the matter, we mutually agreed that there was no national interpretive issue fairly presented as to the meaning and intent of Article 37 of the National Agreement.

The facts in our respective files indicate that a former postmaster was reassigned to the local office as a FTR clerk. We mutually agreed that there is no prohibition under the National Agreement against such a reassignment. However, the reassigned employee's seniority must be established in accordance with Article 37, Section 2.D., of the National Agreement.

Mr. Kenneth D. Wilson

Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to Step 3 for further development and consideration of the seniority date of the transferred employee, if necessary, by the parties.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision as acknowledgment of agreement to remand this grievance. Sincerely,

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