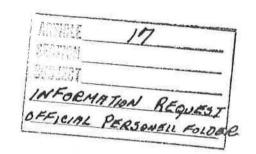


EMPLOYEE AND LABOR RELATIONS GROUP Washington, DC 20260

August 18,1976

Mr. Alfred K. May
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National Association of Letter
Carriers, AFL-CIO
100 Indiana Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20001



Re: NALC Local

(S. E. Olsen) Bristol, PA

NC-E-2263 (NC-60) /E3-DEL-VAL-440

Dear Mr. May:

On July 8, 1976, we met with you to discuss the abovecaptioned 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 evidence presented does not support the allegation that the referenced steward was improperly denied the right to investigate and adjust a grievance.

No violation of the National Agreement has occurred; therefore, the grievance is denied.

However, we agree that a steward should be allowed to review an employee's Official Personnel Folder during his regular working hours depending upon relevancy in accordance with the applicable provisions of Article XVII, Section 3.

Sincerely,

William J. Downes

Labor Relations Department