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

Re: Class Action

Charlotte, NC 28228

H1C-3P-C-6054

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On June 29, 1982, 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 question in this grievance is whether or not management violates Article 17 of the National Agreement when a local Union representative was denied access to specific information he claimed was needed for a grievance investigation. Specifically, the Union representative requested information concerning the discipline issued to a supervisor who was involved in an incident in which an employee was removed. The National Union representative contends that the information that led to the supervisor receiving a letter of Warning for involvement in an incident that led to the removal of an employee may be a factor in representing the employee and saving his job.

This case has been reviewed considering the following provisions of the National Agreement and the Administrative Support Manual:

1. Article 17, Section 3., of the National Agreement indicates in part that the steward may request and obtain access through the appropriate supervisor to review the documents, files and other records necessary for processing a grievance or determining