

Mr. Thomas D. Riley  
 Assistant Secretary-Treasurer  
 National Association of Letter Carriers,  
 AFL-CIO  
 100 Indiana Avenue, NW  
 Washington, DC 20001

Re: D. Rupp  
 Cleveland, OH  
 NC-C-8435/5CLE-1143

Dear Mr. Riley:

On October 6, 1977, 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.

In accordance with Article XVII, Section 2, Paragraph 2 of the National Agreement stewards will be certified to represent employees (whether permanently assigned or detailed) in specific work location(s). An employee is represented by the steward for the specific work location where he happens to be working when the cause of the grievance arose.

The grievant in this instance was not certified to represent employees at Midway Station where the grievance arose and, consequently, he was not improperly denied the right to investigate the grievance. On the other hand, the steward at Midway Station would not have been precluded from requesting time to investigate and/or interview the aggrieved employee in accordance with Section 3 of Article XVII.

In accordance with the above clarification, this grievance case is considered to be resolved.

Sincerely,

  
 Robert B. Hubbell  
 Labor Relations Department

NOTE: When a carrier from Station "A" is detailed to Station "B" and a grievance occurs the steward from Station "B" should investigate the grievance, including traveling to Station "A" to interview the grievant.