

LABOR RELATIONS



Mr. William H. Young
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RE: Q98N-4Q-C 01246226
 Class Action
 Washington, DC 20260-4100

Dear Mr. Young:

Recently our representatives met in pre-arbitration discussion of the above-referenced grievance.


The grievance concerns proposed revisions to Chapter 8 of Handbook F-19, *Accountability of Disbursing Officers*, transmitted by letter dated July 18, 2001, which will no longer allow for employees in offices where imprest funds are used to be issued a travel advance when there is no time for the employee to obtain an advance through regular disbursing channels.

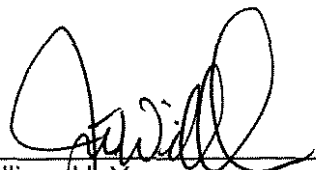
After reviewing the matter, we mutually agreed to resolve this case as follows:

Travel advance for bargaining unit employees is governed by Handbook F-1, *Post Office Accounting Procedures*, Section 824. In emergencies, such as last-minute official travel where there is no time for an employee to receive a check from the Accounting Service Center, the employee shall receive an emergency travel advance after signing a completed and approved PS Form 1011, *Travel Advance Request and Itinerary Schedule*, from the local post office.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision as your acknowledgement that this case has been settled, removing it from the pending national arbitration listing.

Sincerely,


 A. J. Johnson
 Manager
 Labor Relations Policy
 and Programs


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Date: 1-11-06

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