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May 22, 2017



Re: International Alliance of Theatrical and

Stage Employees, Local 126

(Bass Music Hall)

Case No. 16-CB-193266

 $DEAR^{(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)}$ 

We have carefully investigated and considered your charge that **International Alliance of Theatrical and Stage Employees, Local 126** has violated the National Labor Relations Act.

**Decision to Dismiss:** Based on that investigation, I have decided to dismiss your charge because there is insufficient evidence to establish a violation of the Act.

**Your Right to Appeal:** You may appeal my decision to the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, through the Office of Appeals.

**Means of Filing**: An appeal may be filed electronically, by mail, by delivery service, or hand-delivered. To file electronically using the Agency's e-filing system, go to our website at <a href="https://www.nlrb.gov">www.nlrb.gov</a> and:

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- 3) Follow the detailed instructions.

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The appeal MAY NOT be filed by fax or email. The Office of Appeals will not process faxed or emailed appeals.

**Appeal Due Date:** The appeal is due on **June 5, 2017**. If the appeal is filed electronically, the transmission of the entire document through the Agency's website must be completed **no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time** on the due date. If filing by mail or by delivery service an appeal will be found to be timely filed if it is postmarked or given to a delivery service no later

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than June 4, 2017. If an appeal is postmarked or given to a delivery service on the due date, it will be rejected as untimely. If hand delivered, an appeal must be received by the General Counsel in Washington D.C. by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the appeal due date. If an appeal is not submitted in accordance with this paragraph, it will be rejected.

**Extension of Time to File Appeal:** The General Counsel may allow additional time to file the appeal if the Charging Party provides a good reason for doing so and the request for an extension of time is **received on or before June 5, 2017.** The request may be filed electronically through the *E-File Documents* link on our website <a href="www.nlrb.gov">www.nlrb.gov</a>, by fax to (202)273-4283, by mail, or by delivery service. The General Counsel will not consider any request for an extension of time to file an appeal received after **June 5, 2017**, **even if it is postmarked or given to the delivery service before the due date**. Unless filed electronically, a copy of the extension of time should also be sent to me.

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Very truly yours,

/s/ Timothy L. Watson

TIMOTHY L. WATSON ACTING REGIONAL DIRECTOR

#### Enclosure

cc: MS. MOLLY FAULK, PRESIDENT INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL AND STAGE EMPLOYEES, LOCAL 126 POST OFFICE BOX 185178 FORT WORTH, TX 76181-0178

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May 19, 2017



Re: American Postal Workers Union Fort

Worth Area Local (United States Postal

Service)

Case 16-CB-195455

### DEAR (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

We have carefully investigated and considered your charge that AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION, FORT WORTH AREA LOCAL has violated the National Labor Relations Act.

**Decision to Dismiss:** Based on that investigation, I have decided to dismiss your charge because of the lack of cooperation by the Charging Party.

**Your Right to Appeal:** You may appeal my decision to the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, through the Office of Appeals.

**Means of Filing**: An appeal may be filed electronically, by mail, by delivery service, or hand-delivered. To file electronically using the Agency's e-filing system, go to our website at <a href="https://www.nlrb.gov">www.nlrb.gov</a> and:

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Appeal Due Date: The appeal is due on June 2, 2017. If the appeal is filed electronically, the transmission of the entire document through the Agency's website must be completed **no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time** on the due date. If filing by mail or by

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delivery service an appeal will be found to be timely filed if it is postmarked or given to a delivery service no later than June 1, 2017. **If an appeal is postmarked or given to a delivery service on the due date, it will be rejected as untimely**. If hand delivered, an appeal must be received by the General Counsel in Washington D.C. by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the appeal due date. If an appeal is not submitted in accordance with this paragraph, it will be rejected.

**Extension of Time to File Appeal:** The General Counsel may allow additional time to file the appeal if the Charging Party provides a good reason for doing so and the request for an extension of time is **received on or before June 2, 2017.** The request may be filed electronically through the *E-File Documents* link on our website <a href="www.nlrb.gov">www.nlrb.gov</a>, by fax to (202)273-4283, by mail, or by delivery service. The General Counsel will not consider any request for an extension of time to file an appeal received after June 2, 2017, **even if it is postmarked or given to the delivery service before the due date**. Unless filed electronically, a copy of the extension of time should also be sent to me.

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Very truly yours,

/s/Timothy L. Watson

TIMOTHY L. WATSON ACTING REGIONAL DIRECTOR

#### Enclosure

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May 31, 2017

ALLEN THOMAS LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST TEXAS 600 E WEATHERFORD ST FORT WORTH, TX 76102-3299

Re: United Automobile Workers Local 119

(Flex-N-Gate) Case 16-CB-192712

Dear Mr. Thomas:

We have carefully investigated and considered your charge that UNITED AUTOMOBILE WORKERS LOCAL 119 has violated the National Labor Relations Act.

**Decision to Dismiss:** Based on that investigation, I have decided to dismiss your charge for the reasons discussed below.

The charge alleges that within the past six months, the Union has restrained and coerced employees in the exercise of rights protected by Section 7 of the Act by refusing to process an employee's grievance regarding the employee's termination and by refusing to seek a medical leave exception for the employee, both for arbitrary or discriminatory reasons or in bad faith.

The investigation disclosed that after the employee was terminated by his Employer for failing to submit medical documentation, the Union filed a grievance on behalf of the employee. In the grievance, the Union sought reinstatement and a medical leave extension for the employee. However, the Employer denied the grievance and the Union did not pursue the grievance any further.

Under established law, labor organizations are afforded a wide range of reasonableness in the handling of such matters. The investigation failed to show that the Union breached its obligation to fairly represent the employee regarding the employee's termination grievance. The Union's actions in processing the employee's grievance were not motivated by any arbitrary, discriminatory or bad faith reasons.

Based on these facts and the absence of any evidence of any unlawful motive in the Union's handling of the employee's grievance, I am dismissing your charge.

**Your Right to Appeal:** You may appeal my decision to the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, through the Office of Appeals.

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Case 16-CB-192712

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Very truly yours,

/s/ Timothy L. Watson

Timothy L. Watson Acting Regional Director

#### Enclosure

cc:



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May 31, 2017



Re: National Rural Letter Carriers Association

(United States Postal Service) Case No. 16-CB-192803

### DEAR (b)(6), (b)(7)(C):

We have carefully investigated and considered your charge that **National Rural Letter Carriers Association** has violated the National Labor Relations Act.

**Decision to Dismiss:** Your charge alleges that within the past six months, the Union has restrained and coerced employees in the exercise of rights protected by Section 7 of the Act by refusing to process your grievance regarding your termination for arbitrary or discriminatory reasons or in bad faith.

The investigation revealed insufficient evidence to find that the Union breached its obligation to fairly represent you regarding your termination grievance. The investigation disclosed that the Union did file a grievance on your behalf, but decided not to take your case to arbitration. Further, the Union informed you that the decision not to arbitrate your case was based on the fact that they did not have sufficient evidence to succeed at arbitration.

Under established law, labor organizations are afforded a wide range of reasonableness in the handling of such matters. The Union's decision not to arbitrate your grievance was not motivated by arbitrary, discriminatory or bad faith reasons. Based on these facts and the absence of any evidence of unlawful motive in the Union's handling of your grievance, I am dismissing your charge.

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and reasons why you believe my decision was incorrect. To file an appeal by mail or delivery service, address the appeal to the **General Counsel** at the **National Labor Relations Board**, **Attn: Office of Appeals, 1015 Half Street SE, Washington, DC 20570-0001**. Unless filed electronically, a copy of the appeal should also be sent to me.

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/s/ Timothy L. Watson

TIMOTHY L. WATSON ACTING REGIONAL DIRECTOR

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