

Memorandum of Clarification

Between

Department of Veterans Affairs and the National VA Council, AFGE

The Department of Veterans Affairs and the National Veterans Affairs Council, AFGE enter into this Memorandum of Clarification (MOC) as follows;

1. The Parties agree that the provisions of this MOU serve as clarification to the meaning of the language found in Article 48, Section 2(A) in the Master Agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the American Federation of Government Employees which reads:

“These national Union representatives may designate a Union representative at their home station and transfer unused official time to that representative to perform the duties of the position for which official time is authorized.”
2. The parties agree that the Union officials referred to in Article 48, section 2(A) cannot transfer the authority (i.e., the official position or responsibilities) of the elected position to the union official receiving the unused official time.
3. The local representative will receive a delegation of specified duties of the national position. The delegated duties will be performed at the direction of the national official delegating such duties. The delegated duties may include any national or local duties that could have been performed by the national position.
4. The local representative may only use transferred official time that is required to complete the specified duties delegated by the national official.
5. The parties agree that this MOC does not authorize a local Union official who receives a transfer of official time from a national Union officer to transfer the time received to another individual.
6. The parties agree that the scheduling of transferred time will be determined at the local level between the parties. In addition to labor-management coordination at the local level, the national Union representative agrees to work with the Local Union president in the receiving facility to coordinate the assignment of union representational work.

NVAC President

Dated 8/18/11

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