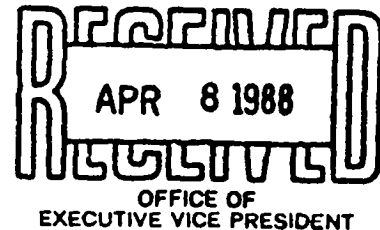




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Mr. William Burrus  
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Dear Mr. Burrus:

This is in further response to my letter of March 24 regarding an Employee Assistance Program Coordinator testifying in an arbitration proceeding.

It is my understanding that local management investigated this matter extensively. As a result, EAP Coordinators will only testify in adversarial proceedings with regard to the program participant's attendance and progress. Furthermore, I have been assured that the Employee and Labor Relations Manual, Section 870, will be complied with.

Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact Harvey White at 268-3831.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Mahon, Jr.  
Assistant Postmaster General