

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD
REGION 10**

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

and

Case 10-CA-223721

LUZ AIDA STEINER

and

Case 10-CA-223776

CONNIE RENEE SANCHEZ

**GENERAL COUNSEL'S OPPOSITION TO RESPONDENT'S REQUEST FOR
POSTPONEMENT**

Counsel for the General Counsel respectfully requests that Respondent Union's Motion for Postponement be denied:

1. The Order Consolidating Cases, Consolidated Complaint and Notice of Hearing issued in the above-listed cases on November 8, 2019. On January 10, 2020, Respondent filed a Motion to Postpone Hearing proffering that the hearing should be postponed because Counsel for Respondent has an intervening obligation three days after the start date of the hearing.
2. Respondent stated that its Counsel has intervening obligations during the pre-trial and post-trial period. Respondent was informed on November 5, 2019, of the location and date of the hearing. Respondent's counsel had sufficient time to prepare for, and plan around, other professional obligations. Additionally, it is unlikely that the hearing in this matter will last longer than two days, which will not conflict with Counsel for Respondent's other scheduled matter.
3. Finally, this case includes allegations that Respondent unlawfully removed one Charging Party from the work schedule in May 2018 and unlawfully denied another

Charging Party medical leave in June 2018. The right of the Charging Parties to have their cases heard in a timely manner should outweigh the professional inconveniences of Respondent.

4. Should the Division of Judges grant Respondent's requested postponement, Counsel for the General Counsel is available for a trial beginning on February 10, 2020.

Accordingly, we submit that Respondent's motion for postponement be denied.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia this 14th day January 2020.

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