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Spoke to the attorneys this morning, still nothing from the Judge I along with everyone else am hoping his decision comes down today.

The Senate has not taken up the TTHUD Approps bill yet, so that looks like it will happen after next week. Wally will let us know if he hears anything on the timeline.

Met with a Board Examiner from the NLRB on Wednesday to discuss the ULP filed against LM back in August. The meeting went very well, gave the gentlemen some further information to support our case and will now wait to hear from the Regional Director on whether he will file a charge or not. The Examiner said he would present the case to his Director by mid-October and the Director should make his decision by the end of October. I have still not heard anything on the other ULP filed on the 21st of September.

Bill, Scott, and Kile from what I understand did an outstanding job on the arbitration this week. Not that I would ever expect anything less!

There have been questions regarding the EEOC case and what happens if people decide not to support the organization if/when LM takes over. We will not remove any member from the suit, if you are going to another job, you will stay on the suit and be covered by NAATS. Now if you decide to join as an associate member to show your support, we'd greatly appreciate it. If you work for LM and decide not to support the organization, you will remain on the complaint. However, after a 30 day grace period your name will be turned over to the attorneys for any future billing.

On the issue of dues collection, I'm going to attach an update from Denise on three options for you to choose from. You can either do the debit from your account, bill pay, or send a check in quarterly. Please try to understand we are not trying to get information on you, we are simply trying to do things the most efficient way possible.

I would like to thank the Barb and Jose our FSOSC Liaisons here in DC for their work over the past year. Jose has also done a wonderful job managing our web site along with his other duties, I look forward to seeing them both in the future. A big thank you to Beth for handling the tough assignment as RIF Liaison on short notice. I think those of you who have talked to Beth over the past few months know how invaluable her assistance was. To the Directors that are

moving on to other jobs, (Mike P., Richard, and Darrell), thanks for all you've done and good luck with your new endeavors. For those members that have found jobs, good luck, make us proud! Those retiring or leaving and going your separate ways, good luck, good health, and remember to laugh. For the rest of us going to work for LM, hang on it's going to be a bumpy ride for a while. I hope the pilots understand it's not us that made this decision!

This week has been a very emotional week for me as I went through some old files, I've smiled, I've cried, but I've mostly been disgusted to think how you all have been treated through this mess. Anyway enough of that, I've closed up the apartment and the car is loaded. I give you my word to do everything in my power to keep you informed and make sure you get representation down the road if needed. I'll be working out of my home and will travel to the office when I can on my RDOs. The best asset this organization has is its one employee, Denise. She will keep everything together as we move forward.

Right now my schedule for next week is RDOs Tues/Wed and days for the next 6, I will check my messages as frequently as possible and my email at night.

I hope I'll have another update for you this afternoon!

Kate Breen