

ELECTION APPEALS MASTER

IN RE:

TOM LEEDHAM RANK AND FILE POWER
SLATE

01 Elec. App. 098 (KC)

This matter is an appeal from the Election Administrator's decision 2001 EAD 475 issued September 27, 2001. The appeal hearing was requested by Stefan A. Ostrach, Treasurer for the Tom Leedham Rank & File Power Slate.

A hearing was held before me on October 10, 2001. The following persons were heard by way of teleconference: Jeffrey J. Ellison, Esq., for the Election Administrator's Office; Stefan A. Ostrach, Treasurer for the Tom Leedham Rank & File Power Slate and Garnett Zimmerman of Local 31, candidate for the Hoffa Unity Slate.

In substance, the protest alleged that the Election Rules were violated by IBT Local 31 in that use of the Union Hall was made available to supporters of the Hoffa Slate for campaign purposes but not to the Leedham Slate.

The Election Administrator found the matter resolved, based upon notice of access and terms for use of the hall having been sent by the Local to the Leedham campaign on September 21, 2001.

On the hearing, it was revealed that the notice had been sent to the Leedham campaign headquarters in Brooklyn New York, although the protester had asked that the terms

notice be faxed to him in Oregon. But more, decisively, it was also revealed that the Hoffa Slate did not in fact use the hall.

Accordingly, the resolution of the matter by the Election Administrator is affirmed.

____s/Kenneth Conboy_____
Kenneth Conboy
Election Appeals Master

Dated: October 11, 2001