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**LONGSHORE & WAREHOUSE  
UNION**

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## **LOCAL 500 BULLETIN**

# **RESPECT FOR BUSINESS AGENTS**

Constitution - Section 5 page 9 (a)

*The Business Agent shall represent the Local in all disputes in the Despatch Hall or on any job over which the Local has jurisdiction, and they shall endeavour to reach a settlement.*

The Despatch Hall gets very hectic trying to cover shortages, jobs, and transfers.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- Business Agents **and** Relief Business Agents are there to sort out problems.
- Business Agents will make a decision.
- After the decision is made, "**back off**". "**Undermining**" a Business Agent's decision at the wicket is **not** allowed!
- Not happy with the decision? Go to our Union Hall **later** to resolve.
- Discussion is o.k. but heated arguments **cannot** and **will not** hold up despatch or embarrass our Business Agents. Nobody wins there.
- Business Agents are **entitled** to give a suspension of 24 hours.

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