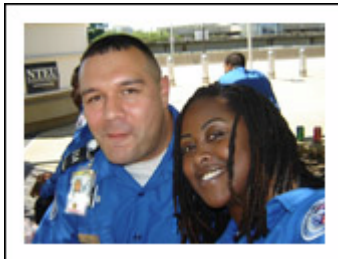


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Member Reinstated

At Chapter 318 (TSA Tampa), NTEU was able to persuade the Disciplinary Review Board (DRB) to **reinstate a member falsely accused of theft.**

Citing a lack of evidence, the DRB vacated theft charges against TSA Officer Ronald Holloway and rescinded his removal, instead issuing Holloway a letter of reprimand for failing to follow management's instructions regarding the storage of personal items in the baggage area. Holloway **also will receive full back pay** for time missed while contesting the allegations.



NTEU [Chapter 330 \(TSA Washington National\)](#) members gathered before the busy July 4 holiday weekend.

IT Security Reminder

As agencies have the right to inspect e-mail and other work systems, NTEU reminds all TSA Officers to carefully protect their electronic passwords and access to agency electronic data.

Never share passwords or user names with anyone and ensure they are stored according to agency policy. Do not respond to

Breaking News

Pistole Reaches Out to NTEU

During his first full day in office, TSA Administrator John Pistole reached out to NTEU President Colleen M. Kelley via telephone, noting that he was looking forward to meeting with her and hearing NTEU's views. Pistole acknowledged that he needs to closely examine the agency's employee survey results and that there are workplace problems that need to be addressed.



President Kelley congratulated Pistole on his appointment, adding that she looks forward to working with him and that NTEU and TSA employees have been waiting a long time to have a permanent administrator in place.

Pistole and Kelley discussed setting up a meeting in the near term to discuss employee concerns face-to-face. Collective bargaining is at the top of that agenda.

Suspension Lifted in Pittsburgh

NTEU has successfully represented a TSA Officer at Pittsburgh International Airport who was **improperly suspended and charged with AWOL** after allegedly failing to provide sufficient medical documentation for a sick leave absence. When NTEU representatives **submitted additional medical documentation to clarify the officer's absence**, they also informed management that the officer was not notified about the insufficient medical documentation before punishment was administered.



Once TSA management at the airport reviewed the medical documentation that NTEU submitted, **they lifted the officer's suspension, rescinded the AWOL charge and reimbursed the officer with full back pay for hours lost.**

NTEU representatives also successfully assisted a Chapter 333 (TSA Oregon) member who was **facing a proposed demotion.** The member, a Behavioral Detection Officer and former AFGE supporter at Portland International Airport, contacted NTEU after several calls for legal assistance to AFGE went unreturned.

'cold' calls from someone claiming to be with TSA's help desk and beware of calls asking you to change your password.

If you receive such a suspicious call, follow the agency's information security policy and alert the proper division or department.

Soon after local NTEU staff attorneys submitted a reply formally contesting the proposed demotion, TSA management **rescinded the proposal, offering a reduced penalty instead**. The officer is currently exploring further appeal avenues with local NTEU representatives.

Read about other NTEU representational victories.

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