

**Postal Regulatory Commission**  
Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

NOTICE OF FILING UNDER 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)

TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:

Please take notice that on March 28, 2011, the Commission received a petition for review of the Postal Service's decision to close the Rogers Avenue Station located in Forth Smith Arkansas. The petition for review was filed by Kelly A. Procter-Pierce (Petitioner) and is postmarked March 22, 2011.

This notice is advisory only and is being furnished so that the Postal Service may begin assembling the administrative record in advance of any formal appeal proceedings held upon the alleged (closing/consolidation) for transmittal pursuant to 39 CFR 3001.113(a) (requiring the filing of the record within 15 days of the filing with the Commission of a petition for review). The Postal Service's administrative record is due no later than April 12, 2011.

  
Shoshana M. Grove  
Secretary

Date: March 30, 2011

Attachment

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**CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT**  
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RE: Petition for Review/Appeal of closing  
of Postal Station at 3400 Rogers Avenue, Fort Smith, AR

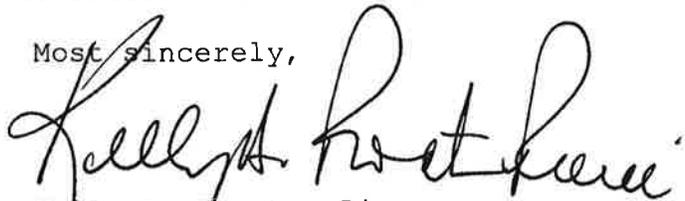
Dear Ms. Grove:

I have been notified that the Postal Service has made a determination to close the postal station located at 3400 Rogers Avenue, Fort Smith, AR, said station which provides services for myself and my office.

Please find enclosed herein a Petition for Review of the determination of the Postal Service decision to close or consolidate a post office. Also, find enclosed a copy of the announcement of the closing, said copy which I obtained from the file maintained at the local station.

I would appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Most sincerely,



Kelly A. Procter-Pierce  
Attorney at Law/Mediator

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Enclosures

**PETITION FOR REVIEW**

My name is Kelly A. Procter-Pierce, Attorney at Law. I am an employee of The Esquire Group Ltd. d/b/a Affordable Legal Services, a law firm.

In that regard, all my personal and business mail comes to P.O. Box 3405, Fort Smith, AR 72913. The business and I have maintained this post box in excess of ten (10) years.

The closing of the Rogers Avenue station located at 3400 Rogers Avenue, Fort Smith, AR will create a great hardship for my business and myself. I will lose a great deal of resources if I am forced to drive several miles further to pick up and drop off mail. It will cost me time, money, wear and tear on my vehicle, gasoline, etc. The wait time at the other stations available to me is much greater. This in turn also costs me more time out of my office and costs me money.

If I choose to relocate my postal box to a station closer to my home, I will still lose a great deal of time and resources which would be required to notify all of my personal and business contacts of the new box address. It will take a great deal of time to notify all my business resources not to mention the cost of postage and copying involved in notifying all my contacts.

I respectfully request that the decision to close the postal station located at 3400 Rogers Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72913 be reviewed by the Commission.



## POSTAL NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
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### Rogers Avenue Station to close March 26, 2011

LITTLE ROCK – As a result of a recent study, the U.S. Postal Service has made the decision to close the Rogers Avenue Station at 3400 Rogers Avenue in Ft. Smith.

"Given the extraordinary decline in mail volume — a decline of nearly 26 billion pieces this past year alone — we must take action to reduce the size of our retail and delivery network," said David Camp, Arkansas District Manager. "By consolidating, streamlining and adjusting our operations, the Postal Service becomes a more efficient and effective organization."

The Rogers Avenue Station will close Saturday, March 26, 2011 and affected postal employees will be reassigned in accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreements and established repositioning processes.

"Local mail delivery will not be affected by this move. Full retail services will still be available in neighboring offices and our customers will continue to receive the same excellent service they always have," said Camp.

Customers wishing to conduct postal business at a local retail office can continue to do so at:

- Fianna Hills Station, 2712 Market Trace
- Midland Station, 3100 Wirsing Ave.
- Ft. Smith General Mail Facility, 3318 S. 74<sup>th</sup> St.
- Downtown Station, 1020 Garrison Ave.
- Barling Station, 609 Fort St.

Customers can skip the trip to the Post Office altogether and purchase stamps and shipping labels online using the Postal Service's website, [usps.com](http://usps.com). Customers can also request free package pickup at [usps.com](http://usps.com). The Postal Service will pick up packages during regular mail delivery the next business day – and, unlike other shipping companies, there is no fee for this service. Postage stamps can also be purchased at 1.800.STAMP 24, thousands of banking ATMs and in more than 55,000 retail outlets across the nation.

The only provider of delivery service to every home and business address in the country, the Postal Service is committed to providing ready access to reliable, secure, affordable postal products and services. Unlike most federal agencies, America's national mail system receives no tax subsidy for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

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An independent federal agency, the U.S. Postal Service is the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes, six days a week. It has 36,000 retail locations and relies on the sale of postage, products and services, not tax dollars, to pay for operating expenses. Named the Most Trusted Government Agency five consecutive years by the Ponemon Institute, the Postal Service has annual revenue of \$68 billion and delivers nearly half the world's mail.