



Charged Party(ies)  ACBL #  Hearing Date

Disciplinary Body  Hearing Location

Charging Party  ACBL#  Complainant  ACBL#

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO HEARD THE CHARGES**

Name	ACBL #	Name	ACBL #
Larry Sealy, Chairman	P541643		
Tim White	M029585		
Jackie Zayac	P386273		

**INDIVIDUALS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE HEARING** (excluding committee members)

Name	ACBL#	Via	Capacity	Name	ACBL#	Via	Capacity
Jeff Edelstein	O200338	web conf.	National Recorder			Select One	Select One
Justin Coniglio	Q809461	web conf.	Adv-Charging P			Select One	Select One
McKenzie Myers	Q799024	web conf.	Charging Party			Select One	Select One
		Select One	Select One			Select One	Select One

**EVIDENCE AND ARGUMENTS PRESENTED** (Summarize evidence and arguments presented including testimony. If additional space is needed, continue on page 3 of this hearing report.) (Note: provide new documentary evidence introduced during the hearing to the Office of National Recorder)

A Negotiated Resolution packet was provided to the committee by the Compliance Coordinator. It contained a Procedural Summary, Factors Considered by the Charging Party, Negotiated Resolution, Membership Profile, Recorder Complaint, Original Charge Letter, Amended Charge Letter and Notice of Intent to Initiate Arbitration before the IBA [Institute for Bridge Arbitration].

After charging Mr. Rosenblatt and his partner, the Charging Party became aware that Mr. Rosenblatt was signing into both BBO accounts and playing both hands. The charge against his partner was dropped and an amended charge was made against Mr. Rosenblatt.

A negotiated resolution included a statement from Mr. Rosenblatt. He stated:  
 "During November and December, while MK was away from home, I logged on to her computer and played bridge on line [sic] using her name and mine. I did this multiple times during those two months.

"With respect to charges brought against me by ACBL, I wish to apologize for my behavior while playing on line [sic]. As a novice, it was not my intention to hurt anyone and I now realize how selfish and disrespectful I was toward other players.

"I took advantage of MK who is very important to me. She entrusted me with her home and the use of her computer. I realize that not only did I damage my reputation in the bridge world but our relationship as well. Hopefully both can be restored with time.

"I am a very respected person in my community and I have embarrassed myself among friends and family, for which I will always be sorry. I hope MK can also see her way clear to forgive me as well."

**COMMITTEE FINDINGS OF FACT** (based on the evidence, state the committee's conclusion as to what happened)

In the Matter of Bob Rosenblatt, the committee approved the Negotiated Resolution agreed to by the Charged Party and ACBL Management. The original charge (dated January 4, 2024), CDR 301(A)(2) Cheating and Other Ethical Violations (CDR effective July 12, 2023) was dismissed without prejudice. On the amended charge (dated January 16, 2024), the Charged Party admitted to a violation of CDR 301(D) Ethical Violation Not Otherwise Specified. Mr. Rosenblatt agreed to an 18-month suspension, followed by 2 years' probation. He is prohibited from playing in ACBL online games during the duration of the probation. Mr. Rosenblatt forfeits 50% of his current (410.95) Masterpoint® total. He will be a member "Not in Good Standing" during the period of his discipline.

**DECISION** (click on the box next to Not Responsible or Responsible of violating the CDR to add a check mark.)

Not Responsible  Responsible

**CDR GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE** Type the section(s) and description(s) found in CDR 3 which led to the discipline).

CDR 301 (D), Effective July 12, 2023: Ethical Violation Not Otherwise Specified.

**DISCIPLINE** (Unless a discipline begins immediately, which requires you to complete a Notice of Immediate Discipline, all begin dates should start at least five days after you submit this hearing Report to the Office of National Recorder.

**Disciplined Party is convicted of premeditated or collusive cheating (or has admitted to such action), CDR 4.1.8 (a)** YES  NO

If yes, all masterpoints, titles and ACBL status ranks and other ACBL related awards earned by the disciplined party will be forfeited. These penalties also apply to the teammates and partners while playing with the disciplined party during the seven years preceding the date the Charges were brought through and including the date of this final decision.

	Start Date	End Date	Additional Requirements/Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> REPRIMAND		N/A	2 years; Prohibited from playing in ACBL sanctioned online games during the duration of the probation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROBATION	8/20/2025	8/19/2027	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SUSPENSION	2/20/2024	8/19/2025	18 months

Is the disciplined party Suspended because of an Ethical Violation (CDR 4.1.8 (b))? YES  NO

If yes, the masterpoints and titles won in the event by the disciplined party, partners and teammates in which the offense occurred will be forfeited.

Is the Suspension imposed due to an Ethical Violation more than one year (CDR 4.1.8 (b))? YES  NO

If yes, the MPs, titles or other ACBL related award earned by the discipline party within twelve months preceding the date of the offense will be forfeited.

EXPULSION  N/A

SUSPENDED SENTENCE (only used in conjunction with an imposed Suspension from above that you have converted to Probation). State the condition of the sentence below

EXCLUSION from Events and Programs (list the exclusions and the dates of the events or activities). CDR 4.1.6

REDUCTION OR FORFEITURE of Masterpoints (MP) or Tournament Rank or Disqualification.

Rosenblatt: forfeiture of 50% total Masterpoints.

**STATE THE OFFENSE(S) FROM APPENDIX B, CHART 1 and/or CHART 2 OF THE CDR**

N/A

The discipline imposed above is **SELECT** the recommended guidelines of Appendix B, Chart 1 and/or Chart 2. If it is **OUTSIDE** the guidelines, a reason must be stated below.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED (CHAIR)**

/s/ Larry Sealy

Electronic Signature (type name above)

Wet Signature (sign above)

Date: 2/11/24