



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 #
Tim White, Chairman	M029585	Larry Sealy	P541643
Dennis Carman	O828450	Georgia Heth	N638399

INDIVIDUALS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE HEARING (excluding committee members)

Name	ACBL#	Via	Capacity	Name	ACBL#	Via	Capacity
Jeff Edelstein	O200338	web conf.	Adv-Charging P			Select One	Select One
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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 Resolutions, Membership Profiles, Recorder Complaint and Charge Letter.

The Negotiated Resolutions included statements from each party. Ms. Shasha stated: "I am very sorry that sometimes, while I was playing ACBL games on BBO with Lily and Michele, I exchanged an unauthorized information about our hands. I can't begin to tell you how deeply I regret what happened. There was no need or reason, to exchange information, as we all knew each other forever. I guess no matter how old you are, you always learn from your mistakes. One a half years of penalty, of not being able to play with the partners, I ever played with, seems like a life time to me at the age of 85!" Ms. Shahrabani stated: "I couldn't even start to explain how deeply sorry I feel about exchanging unauthorized informations in some of the ACBL games I played with Lily and Jacqueline. Looking back, we certainly didn't need it as we have a thorough knowledge of each other's way of playing. It was not for the points or the glory, it was sheer stupidity. At this point I hope you will take into consideration my age and the fact that there is no adequate way for me to make you feel the depth of my shame and my regrets." Ms. Yousfan stated: "There is no way I can explain why I exchanged some unauthorized information while playing ACBL sanctioned bridge on line with my lifelong friends Jacqueline and Michele. It was completely unnecessary as we are have been playing together for over forty years and are absolutely capable of paying decent games at any time and anywhere. This said I hope you will believe that I am truly and deeply sorry to have forgotten the importance of honesty. This has been harsh lesson that will be difficult to forget."

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

In the Matter of Jacqueline Shasha, Michele Shahrabani and Lily Yousfan, the Committee approved the Negotiated Resolution entered into by the parties and ACBL Management in which the parties admitted to a violation of CDR 301(A)(2) Collusive Cheating: Online (CDR effective August 1, 2021). Ms. Shasha and Ms. Shahrabani agreed to 6-month suspensions to start on January 8, 2023. Ms. Yousfan agreed to an 8-month suspension to start on January 8, 2023. All three parties agreed to 2 years probation to follow their suspensions. The parties are prohibited from playing in ACBL face to face games with one another for the duration of their probations and in ACBL online games with one another for the first year of their probations. Each forfeits 150 Masterpoints®. All agreed that if they play in any ACBL sanctioned games between January 8, 2023 and when this agreement is accepted by Appeals and Charges, this agreement is voidable by ACBL. They will be members "Not in Good Standing" during the period of their 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(A)(2) Collusive Cheating: Online (CDR effective August 1, 2021)

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: Shasha and Shahrabani: 7/8/23-7/7/25; Yousfan 9/8/23-9/7/25
<input type="checkbox"/> PROBATION	See comments to the right		All parties: excluded from playing with one another F2F during entire probationary period. Excluded from playing with one another online during the first year of the probationary periods.
<input type="checkbox"/> SUSPENSION	See comments to the right		Shasha and Shahrabani 6 Mos: 1/8/23-7/7/23; Yousfan 8 mos: 1/8/23-9/7/23

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.

Remove 150 MPs from each party.

The teammates and partners will also receive these penalties in the event in which the offense occurred.

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/

Electronic Signature (type name above)

Wet Signature (sign above)

Date: