



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 #
A.J. Stephani, Chairman	Q368694	Jeff Overby	O879926
Dennis Carman	O828450	Laurie Rowe	P508832
Margot Hennings	N242118	Tim White	M029585
Deana Liddy	P205082		

INDIVIDUALS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE HEARING (excluding committee members)

Name	ACBL#	Via	Capacity	Name	ACBL#	Via	Capacity
Linda Dunn	P197314	web conf.	In-House Counsel			Select One	Select One
Robb Gordon	K652927	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 by the Compliance Coordinator to the committee. It included the following: Negotiated Resolution, Factors Considered by the Charging Party, Membership Profile, Charge Letter, and Recorder Complaint.

See Attachment A.

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

In the matter of Daniel Thompson, the Committee accepted the Negotiated Resolution entered into by the party and ACBL management in which he admitted a violation of CDR § 301(B)(9): Dumping. The agreement included a Suspension of 60 days, followed by a Probation of 2 years, with no forfeiture of Masterpoints.

He will be a member "Not in Good Standing" during the length of his Suspension and Probationary period.

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).

301(B)(9) Dumping. "Dumping" means intentionally obtaining a poor result on a hand, losing a match or contest, or any other actions designed to affect the outcome of a deal or the ranking for any stage of a contest other than through of bridge ability.

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	<input type="checkbox"/> Letter of Reprimand Attached
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROBATION	03/08/2022	03/07/2024	2 years
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SUSPENSION	01/07/2022	03/07/2022	60 days

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.

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/ A.J. Stephani

Date: 12/27/22

Electronic Signature (type name above)

Wet Signature (sign above)

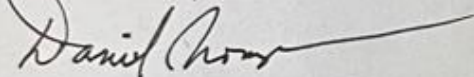
11-22-21. Negotiated Resolution for Daniel Thompson

On October 7th of 2021, I purposely opened 7 NT on two boards of a virtual club game because I was angry at my partner. I later wrote an article (in November) about the event on Briidgewinners.com and people from the web site informed me my actions were illegal and could be be punished for violating the ACBL Dumping rule. I gave the information needed to have a player memo filed with the ACBL and someone filed one.

My actions on October 7th were inexcusable and I regret taking my anger out in such a manner. I hurt the game of bridge, my partner, and all of the other participants that were playing in the game that day. I didn't know specially about the rule that day, but in my heart I knew I had acted terribly and I can't make excuses for myself. I am guilty of the dumping offense and I do deserve a formal ACBL punishment for the things I did that day.

I apologize for my behavior and will strive to be a better person from now on...at the bridge tables and away from them. I hurt the game I love! I hurt my partner and I hurt my club...which I am part of and my actions were shameful and immature. I am also sorry my actions have caused the ACBL to have to spend time dealing with my immature actions.

Daniel Thompson



11/22/21

Date: 11/22/21