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**PANEL REPORT  
 NEGOTIATED RESOLUTION REVIEW  
 BEFORE THE APPEALS AND CHARGES COMMITTEE**

<b>Date of Review</b>	5/14/2024		<b>Case No.</b>	2024-ACBL-37				
<b>CDR Version</b>	2/1/2024	<b>CDR Violation</b>	301(A)(2) Collusive Cheating Online					
<b>Disciplined Party</b>	Bobbie Ruff		<b>ACBL #</b>	9018018	<b>District</b>	9	<b>Unit</b>	128
<b>Disciplined Party</b>	N/A		<b>ACBL #</b>	N/A	<b>District</b>	N/A	<b>Unit</b>	N/A
<b>Disciplined Party's Advocate</b>	N/A		<b>ACBL #</b>	N/A				
<b>Charging Party</b>	Jeff Edelstein		<b>ACBL #</b>	O200338				
<b>Charging Party's Advocate</b>	N/A		<b>ACBL #</b>	N/A				
<b>Panelists</b>	Larry Sealy		<b>ACBL #</b>	P541643				
	Tim White		<b>ACBL #</b>	M029585				
	Jackie Zayac		<b>ACBL #</b>	P386273				

**SUMMARY OF REVIEW:**

The Panel reviewed the following documents: Negotiated Resolution, Membership Profile, Ethics Certification and Fair Play Pledge, and Notice of Intent to Initiate Arbitration before the IBA.

The Panel approved the Negotiated Resolution agreed to by the parties and ACBL Management, in which Ms. Ruff admitted to a violation of CDR 301(A)(2): Collusive Cheating Online (CDR effective February 1, 2024). The disciplines imposed is listed on page 2 of this report.



**ADMISSION OF VIOLATION:**

Ms. Ruff provided the following admission:

While playing in the ACBL sponsored games on-line during the pandemic, I was in contact with my partner while we were playing sometimes. We discussed the hands sometimes.

*Bobbie Ruff, M.P.I.*

**DISCIPLINE IMPOSED:**

	Discipline	Start Date	End Date	Comments
x	Suspension, 18 months	5/1/2024	10/31/2025	
x	Probation, 2 years	11/1/2025	10/31/2027	
x	Member Not in Good Standing	5/1/2024	10/31/2027	
x	Prohibition from playing with [temporarily omitted] and [temporarily omitted] in ACBL online sanctioned games	11/1/2025	10/31/2027	Partners: names are temporarily omitted until their matters are resolved
x	Forfeiture of 20% of total Masterpoint holding			

/s/ *Larry Sealy*, Appeals and Charges Committee, Chair

Dated: May 14, 2024