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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

OFFICIAL RULING – Costs Incurred by Disciplinary Actions

November 5, 2025

At the 2025 VFW Auxiliary National Convention in Columbus, Ohio, the **VFW Auxiliary National Bylaw, Article XI, Sec. 1101 – Discipline of Members** was amended to add item D. and it passed. To resolve any confusion concerning this addition, I have made this official ruling on the interpretation of this Bylaw.

As stated in **Sec. 1101. D.**, ***All costs incurred by Disciplinary Action will be paid by the initiating entity (Auxiliary, Department, or National).***

Therefore, be it known that:

- The intent of “all costs” means all reasonable costs that may be incurred by the Disciplinary Action Hearing Panel.
- The composition of the Disciplinary Action Hearing Panel, as stated in the new Guide to Disciplinary Action, page 23, are the Disciplinary Action Hearing Panel President and the Hearing Panel Members.
- The Disciplinary Action Hearing Panel does not include the Prosecutor, the Recording Officer, the Accused and the Defense Counsel, nor the Witnesses (whether for the Prosecution or the Defense).

By Order of

Lois Callahan
National President



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