



Official ITA Team Match Protest Ruling

Division & Gender: Division I Women Date of Match: 3/29/17

Match: University of Delaware vs. Old Dominion University

Team Protesting: University of Delaware

Ruling Committee: Division I Women's National Ranking Committee

Protest Summary:

The ITA Women's Division I National Ranking Committee has thoroughly reviewed the match protests statement submitted by Coach Laura Travis (Delaware) regarding her match against Old Dominion University on March 29, 2017, as well as the subsequent defense statement submitted by Coach Dominic Manilla (Old Dominion) and statement from Head Referee Randolph Holland.

The final ruling of the Committee is that **did** violate **ITA Rule I.B.2** (*Page 1*) by pulling their singles players at lines #1 and #5 singles off the court without both coaches agreeing to stop the match at clinch. As a result of this ruling, the remaining 2 matches (lines 2 & 5 singles) will be awarded to Delaware, resulting in a 4-3 win for Old Dominion. For ITA Results Entry purposes, the matches in question will be changed from "unfinished" to "retired" and recorded as wins for Delaware.

The ITA office will make the necessary adjustment in the ITA Results Entry System. Delaware and Old Dominion are asked to make the same adjustment to their schools' athletic websites so as to accurately reflect this ruling. Please note that decisions made by the ITA National Ranking Committee are final and no appeals will be accepted. Please also be aware that ITA policy does not permit coaches to contact committee members before or after a protest decision is made to question this decision or ask for additional information.