



# IAABO

## Inside the Lines



Click [here](#) to view the IAABO Play of the Week No. 4.

Click [here](#) to answer a survey to ensure that you have an accurate ruling. Once you submit your answer, you will receive a response with IAABO's point of view on this play



## *Play of the Week*

The results for last week's POW (3) are shown below:

IAABO's interpretation and ruling on this play...

In reviewing this play, it is our belief that the contact by White #23 on Green #33 should have been ruled a hand-checking foul. Rule 10-7-12 states the following:

*The following acts constitute a foul when committed against a ball handler/dribbler. A player becomes a ball handler when he/she receives the ball. This would include a player in a post position.*

- a. Placing two hands on the player.*
- b. Placing an extended arm bar on the player.*
- c. Placing and keeping a hand on the player.*
- d. Contacting the player more than once with the same hand or alternating hands.*

Ideally, when White #23 placed an extended arm bar on Green #33, either the trail or center official should have ruled this a hand-checking foul. Such a ruling would have stopped the play prior to any contact by Green #33 which led to the player control foul. It is important that officials properly rule on 10-7-12 to ensure fair and consistent play.

Click [here](#) to view the survey results online.

A record number of officials logged in and participated in the IAABO Play of the Week survey from last week



## **Logo Contest – IAABO Supporting the Armed Forces**

IAABO would like to develop a lapel pin to recognize our members that have served or are serving in the Armed Forces. The lapel pin is designed to be worn on a suit jacket or maybe even your black officiating jacket. We are having a logo contest that will run through Friday, December 1, 2017. Please email your suggested logo to Donnie Eppley@ [eppleyd@comcast.net](mailto:eppleyd@comcast.net).



The new 2017 version is now available for the 1-month promotion which provides access now thru December 15. The 1-month subscription is \$10, users who want to continue using the tool for a full year will have a chance to apply the cost to an annual subscription at the end of the promotion. Future renewals of annual subscriptions, with new questions and updated rules/references, are \$6 each year.

To sign up, go to: [www.ruleboxsoftware.com/iaabo.aspx](http://www.ruleboxsoftware.com/iaabo.aspx)

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## **Special Pre-Season Advisory for ALL IAABO Officials Student/Atheletes/Coach National Anthem Postures**

As preparations for a new season are underway, sports officials are dealing with many challenges, some familiar, some new. All require IAABO Boards and officials to pay special attention to several areas where legal exposures are present; and where legal rights need to be asserted by officials. All officials should bear in mind that incorrect handling of the situations discussed below can result in significant legal and personal consequences. Please request that local boards review each of the

following five areas of concern with all officials prior to the beginning of the season. If there are remaining questions, please contact the IAABO office.

**1. Student-Athlete/Coach National Anthem Postures.**

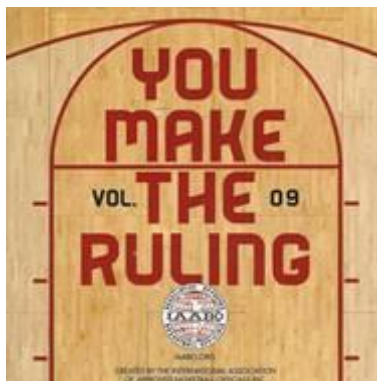
Media reports from various areas have recounted several instances where high school game officials have reacted publicly to student-athletes and/or coaches kneeling in silent protest during the playing of the national anthem before a game. This fall, it was reported that two officials, at a pre-match meeting with coaches threatened to disqualify any players who did not demonstrate respect for the American flag or the national anthem. In another instance, an official observed a player kneeling during the anthem and proceeded to advise a coach that he was leaving the gym. In yet another game, after witnessing players kneeling during the anthem two officials left the field, leaving the 3 remaining officials, — allegedly not without verbalizing his objection to kneeling players and their coach. After the game, the media reported that the coach claimed that, before the game the Referee requested — on behalf of the officiating crew — that any player who might kneel remain in the locker room “to avoid any problems.” After the game, one of the departed officials eagerly gave media interviews where he was reported to have said the chain officials who were called off the sidelines to replace the two officials “...weren’t officially trained,” and added that if the kneeling players “weren’t happy in the U.S., they should leave the country.”.....Click [here](#) to review the remainder of the advisory.

## **IAABO Foundation Raffle Underway (Cash Option Available)**



Help support the IAABO Charitable & Education Foundation by purchasing a raffle ticket to win this beautiful 2018 Nissan Rogue. Tickets are \$100.00 and can be purchased at the upcoming Fall Seminar in Delaware. Tickets can also be purchased by contacting IAABO Past President and Foundation Trustee Peter Carroll, who is the Raffle Chairperson, directly at: [commishbd@aol.com](mailto:commishbd@aol.com)

You can also purchase a ticket by contacting any other IAABO Foundation Trustee or IAABO Inc. Executive Committee member. Note: A maximum of 1,000 tickets can be sold. The drawing date for the car will be April 28, 2018. The winner may elect the cash option.



**You Make the Ruling** – Volume 9 is available by contacting Kelly Callahan @ [mkcallahan@aol.com](mailto:mkcallahan@aol.com). The cost for IAABO members is \$14.95. Board Interpreters who have not received their FREE copy of the DVD should contact Donnie Eppley @ [eppleyd@comcast.net](mailto:eppleyd@comcast.net) and a copy will be forwarded to you immediately.



**Crew of Two and Crew of Three Mechanics DVDs.** – Crew of Two and Crew of Three Mechanics DVDs are available by contacting Kelly Callahan @ [tmkcallahan@aol.com](mailto:tmkcallahan@aol.com).

## IAABO Spring Meeting in Ocean City, Maryland

The IAABO Spring Meeting will take place in beautiful Ocean City, Maryland. Reservations are now open for the Holiday Inn in Ocean City, MD April 19-22, 2018, by calling 410-524-1600 (ask for the IAABO rate ---Rates are \$99 for Wed, and Thursday, \$149 Friday and Saturday). Meeting highlights include the Life Membership Luncheon, committee meetings, elections, an awards program and the annual golf outing.

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## Game Tracker Journal

You have likely heard the saying, *"a goal without a plan is just a wish,"* and this age-old adage rings so true for all people pursuing all types of endeavors.



And for basketball officials embarking on the 2017-2018 season absent a basic strategy on how to achieve a stated desire -- a better schedule; advancement to the next level -- you are in a rudderless boat on an open sea hoping the winds of fate blow you to your destination.

Seeking officiating success described in this manner seems laughable, but yet many officials take this approach with their beloved avocation.

But Ref, don't panic now...Help is on the way in the form of the new, and first of its kind, **GameTracker Journal**.

This latest publication from long time IAABO members Billy Martin, Tim Malloy and Al Battista, the creators of [Ref60.com](http://Ref60.com), is an innovative tool that provides a template for every basketball official, at



every level, to create your own realistic roadmap helping to guide you to your desired destination - one game at a time.

For more information on this **GameTracker Journal** tool visit [www.Ref60.com/gametracker](http://www.Ref60.com/gametracker).

## Special Deals for IAABO Basketball Officials

### Briggs and Riley Luggage

**Briggs and Riley Luggage** - Officials will receive a 60% discount on any product. Officials must use the form which can be obtained by clicking [here](#) - There is a lifetime guaranteed on the luggage.

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