The Authority reaffirmed that an award’s remedy must comport with the parties’ agreement when that agreement defines the actions an agency can take in disciplinary matters. Therefore, because the Arbitrator’s remedy was not defined in the parties’ agreement, the award’s remedy was set aside.

Member DuBester dissented, finding that the award’s remedy essentially reduced the grievant’s suspension to an admonishment, which constitutes a form of discipline under the parties’ agreement and is consistent with the Arbitrator’s finding that the Agency sustained only one of the specifications against the grievant.

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