

THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT
219 SOUTH Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

March 26, 2015

Chief Judge Diane P. Wood

No. 07-15-90016 and -90017

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST TWO JUDGES

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has filed a judicial misconduct complaint against two judges who have adversely ruled against complainant. The bases of the complaints are the adverse rulings. Any complaint that is “directly related to the merits of a decision or procedural ruling” must be dismissed. 28 U.S.C. §352(b)(1)(A)(ii). *See also* Rule 11(c)(1)(B) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings. “Any allegation that calls into question the correctness of an official action of a judge...is merits related.” Standard 2 for Assessing Compliance with the Act, *Implementation of the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980: A Report to the Chief Justice* 145 (2006).

Two years ago, complainant filed a similar judicial misconduct complaint against the same two judges. My predecessor dismissed the complaint. Complainant is again requesting that the underlying decisions of those judges be vacated.

Repetitive filing of insubstantial judicial misconduct complaints is an abuse of the provisions of the Judicial Conduct and Disabilities Act of 1980, 28 U.S.C. §§351-364. If complainant continues to abuse the provisions of the Act, I will ask the Seventh Circuit Judicial Council to require complainant to post a \$1,000 bond before any future complaints are reviewed.

These complaints are dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §352(b)(1)(A)(ii).