

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

August 16, 2016

Chief Judge Diane P. Wood

No. 07-16-90067

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST TWO JUDGES

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has filed a complaint against two judges, one of whom died more than five years ago. The complaint is that only two judges, not three, ruled on complainant's request for a certificate of appealability. Only two judges were necessary to rule on the certificate of appealability pursuant to Operating Procedure 1(a)(1) of United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. The proper forum for that challenge was the Court of Appeals, not a judicial misconduct complaint.

Last month complainant filed judicial misconduct complaints against seven judges, one of whom was also deceased. Those complaints were dismissed as were three earlier ones filed by complainant. The dismissal of the complaints last month were accompanied by a warning that repetitive filing of insubstantial complaints is an abuse of the provisions of the Judicial Conduct and Disabilities Act of 1980 and complainant may be required by the Seventh Circuit Judicial Council to post a \$1,000 bond before any future complaints are reviewed. That time has come. Complainant should respond by September 21, 2016 as to why he should not be required to post a \$1,000 bond with any future complaint which would be returned if the complaint is not insubstantial.

This complaint is dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii).