

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

February 14, 2020

Chief Judge Diane P. Wood

No. 07-20-90007

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has filed a judicial misconduct complaint against the judge handling an administrative matter. The complaint is that the judge committed misconduct by entering an administrative order directing that the complainant be escorted by a Deputy United States Marshal or Court Security Officer within the confines of the Courthouse, prohibiting him from possessing any device in the Courthouse with which pictures, videos, or sound recordings can be obtained and subjecting him to reasonable search procedures to insure compliance with the prohibitions. The entry of this order was clearly an official action of the judge.

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).

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