

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

December 16, 2024

Chief Judge Diane S. Sykes

No. 07-24-90107

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

The complainant filed a misconduct complaint against the magistrate judge who was assigned to his civil rights case. He challenges the judge's decisions regarding discovery and the management of a settlement conference.

These allegations relate directly to the merits of the magistrate judge's procedural and substantive rulings and thus are not proper grounds for a misconduct complaint. 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii). "Any allegation that calls into question the correctness of an official action of a judge ... is merits related" and must be dismissed. RULES FOR JUD.-CONDUCT & JUD.-DISABILITY PROC. r. 4(b)(1) cmt.

Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed pursuant to § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii). The complainant may petition the Judicial Council of the Seventh Circuit for review of this order in accordance with Rule 18(b) of the *Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings*. *Id.* § 352(c); see RULES FOR JUD.-CONDUCT & JUD.-DISABILITY PROC. r. 11(g)(3). A petition for review must be filed in the clerk's office of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit not later than 42 days of the date of this order.