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

December 16, 2024

Chief Judge Diane S. Sykes

No. 07-24-90113

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

The complainant filed a misconduct complaint against the judge who dismissed his civil rights case and denied his motions for reconsideration and leave to amend his complaint. He complains that the judge failed to consider some exhibits and should have permitted him to amend his complaint. The complainant requests a new hearing before a different judge; he also asks that the judge be removed from all of his cases because of bias, conflict of interest, and lack of impartiality.

Most of these allegations relate directly to the merits of the judge's decisions 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 decision or procedural ruling of a judge ... is merits related" and must be dismissed. Rules for Jud.-Conduct & Jud.-Disability Proc. r. 4(b)(1) cmt. The allegations of bias, conflict of interest, and lack of impartiality are wholly unsupported and frivolous. 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(iii).

Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed pursuant to § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii) and (iii). 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.-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.