

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

December 16, 2024

Chief Judge Diane S. Sykes

No. 07-24-90119

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

The complainant filed a misconduct complaint against the judge who dismissed her civil-rights case more than a decade ago. On October 2, 2024, the complainant filed a motion asking the court to appoint pro bono counsel to represent her. The judge promptly denied the motion because the case was dismissed by stipulation of the parties in July 2014. The complainant claims that she did not file the October 2 motion for counsel and questions why the judge would rule on a nonexistent request. She suggests that the judge is impaired and requests an investigation of the judge's competence.

The case record refutes the complainant's claim that she did not file the recent motion: her October 2 filing appears on the court's docket. Because her complaint lacks a factual foundation and is conclusively refuted by objective evidence, it must be dismissed. 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(B).

Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed pursuant to § 352(b)(1)(B). 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.