

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

July 9, 2007

FRANK H. EASTERBROOK
Chief Judge

No. 07-7-352-27

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDICIAL OFFICER

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has litigation pending on appeal, following an adverse decision by a district court. She says that the chief judge of the district (who is not assigned to the case) has “interfered” with her suit. Complainant also believes that the chief judge caused a motion to be delayed in the mails.

Last year complainant made a similar charge, which was dismissed on the Chief Judge’s conclusion that no misconduct had occurred. No. 06-7-372-8 (Jud. Council Apr. 17, 2006). The allegations in the current complaint appear to be repetitive, for they concern acts that are said to have occurred in March 2006. They are dismissed for the same reason: No misconduct has occurred.

As far as I can see, the only new allegations are that the chief judge “has reused his position” to place a document in the record and has delayed the transmission of mail. Placing documents in the record is not misconduct. How the chief judge could affect the Postal Service is unclear; the judiciary does not play any role in the transmission of mail. This aspect of the complaint is dismissed on the ground that the complaint lacks sufficient evidence to raise an inference of misconduct.