

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

December 23, 2013

Chief Judge Diane P. Wood

No. 07-13-90097

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has filed a judicial misconduct complaint against a judge. The allegations in the complaint are not clear. What can be gleaned is that the judge did not allow complainant to bring food samples as exhibits into the courthouse and the judge ordered that the complainant be escorted by security officers when in the court house. The complainant also makes unsubstantiated allegations the judge used "the judge's office to obtain special treatment for friends or relatives accepting bribes, gifts, or other personal favors related the judicial office." The first allegations do not constitute judicial misconduct. As to the allegations of favoritism and bribery, the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980 provides that the chief judge can dismiss allegations lacking sufficient evidence to raise an inference that misconduct has occurred and that covers these allegations.

Therefore this complaint is dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §352(b)(1)(A)(iii).