

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

January 29, 2015

Chief Judge Diane P. Wood

No. 07-15-90001

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has filed a judicial misconduct complaint against the judge assigned to her case. The complaint is that the actions of the judge in that proceeding “caused reasonable members of the public a substantial and widespread lowering of confidence in the courts.” That is the bald allegation. Complainant has attached docket sheets and parts of what appears to be one of complainant’s appellate briefs.

If the designation is incorrect, that can be raised on appeal. But any complaint that is “directly related to the merits of a decision or procedural ruling” must be dismissed. 28 U.S.C. §352(b)(1)(A)(ii). See also Rule 11(c)(1)(B) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings. “Any allegation that calls into question the correctness of an official action of a judge...is merits related.” Standard 2 for Assessing Compliance with the Act, Implementation of the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980: A Report to the Chief Justice 145 (2006).

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