

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

February 1, 2018

Chief Judge Diane P. Wood

No. 07-18-90006

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has filed a judicial misconduct complaint against the judge who was assigned to her case. This is complainant's third complaint against judges who have ruled against complainant. All three complaints are based on the judge's adverse rulings. The earlier two complaints were dismissed and the petitions to the Judicial Council of the Seventh Circuit were denied.

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).

Repetitive filing of insubstantial judicial misconduct complaints is an abuse of the provisions of the Judicial Conduct and Disabilities Act of 1980, 28 U.S.C. §§351-364. *See* Rule 10(a) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings. If complainant continues to abuse the provisions of the Act, I will ask the Seventh Circuit Judicial Council to require complainant to post a \$1,000 bond before any future complaints are reviewed.

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