

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

June 25, 2020

Circuit Judge Joel M. Flaum

No. 07-20-90056

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM

The Complainant has filed a complaint against a judge. Complainant was required to include a brief statement of the facts constituting the misconduct alleged. The statement constitutes 25 pages. Attached to the complaint is an addendum consisting of a 45-page document from a submission of more than a year ago addressed to the Seventh Circuit Judicial Council complaining about the same judge. That document was marked as "Received" by the Clerk's Office. It was not filed as a Judicial Misconduct Complaint as it did not have the accompanying complaint form with the information requested.

The instant complaint and the additional information received in the addendum contains unwarranted and unsubstantiated allegations that the judge, in an administrative role, improperly assigned appeals to specific judges, and in addition, sought to pressure certain judges to retire from active service. The filings by the complainant presents no credible support for these allegations and reflects, at a minimum, a flawed or misguided understanding of how cases are randomly assigned and how individual judges independently approach their respective decisions regarding length of service.

The complaint is dismissed as meritless. 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(iii).

*This complaint was assigned to Circuit Judge Joel M. Flaum pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §351(c).