

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

September 24, 2020

Chief Judge Diane S. Sykes

No. 07-20-90090

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE:

MEMORANDUM

Complainant filed a misconduct complaint against the judge presiding in his civil case. The complaint contests the judge's denial of complainant's request for recusal and also challenges the judge's substantive rulings as improper and biased. Arguments like this can be raised on appeal. Any misconduct 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).

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