

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

October 18, 2022

Chief Judge Diane S. Sykes

Nos. 07-22-90081 through -90083

IN RE COMPLAINTS AGAINST THREE JUDGES

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

The complainant filed a misconduct complaint against three district judges. He challenges the judges' rulings as well as the filing bar instituted after he filed 28 actions and appeals in federal courts in the last four years and amassed unpaid filing fees approaching \$10,000. The complainant's allegations concern the merits of the judges' decisions and are not proper grounds for a misconduct complaint. 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii); RULES FOR JUD.-CONDUCT & JUD.-DISABILITY PROC. r. 4(b)(1). "Any allegation that calls into question the correctness of an official decision or procedural ruling of a judge ... is merits related." RULES FOR JUD.-CONDUCT & JUD.-DISABILITY PROC. r. 4(b)(1) cmt. A challenge to a filing bar can be raised on appeal (and has been by the complainant) and thus is merits related and must be dismissed. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii).

Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed pursuant to § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii). The complainant may petition the Judicial Council of the Seventh Circuit for review of this order in accordance with Rule 18(b) of the *Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings*. 28 U.S.C. § 352(c); see RULES FOR JUD.-CONDUCT & JUD.-DISABILITY PROC. r. 11(g)(3). A petition for review must be filed in the clerk's office of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit not later than 42 days of the date of this order.