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## CLOSURE REPORT OF THE VERMONT JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD

Re: Docket No.: 20.021

This Complaint is the result a criminal case in which Complainant: (1) disagreed with the evidence allowed by the judge; (2) requested that the Board remove the Judge from Complainant's case; (3) made allegations against a States Attorney; and (4) made allegations of bias when a motion for a new judge was denied.

The Board sent Complainant a letter explaining that issues of evidence presented are issues for an appellate court, not this Board; that the Board does not have the authority to remove a judge from a case; that the Board has no jurisdiction over a State's Attorney and giving Complainant the correct address for complaints against attorneys; and requested additional information on specific instances of bias or other misconduct. The Board gave Complainant 30 days to supplement the filing, but Complainant failed to do so.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry. To the extent the Complaint alleges ethical impropriety or a violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, the Board has determined that the Complaint is unfounded and there is no cause for further proceedings. *Rules of the Supreme Court for the Disciplinary Control of Judges*, Rule 11.

Accordingly, the Complaint in Docket No. 20.021 is DISMISSED.

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