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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No.16.031

This Complaint is the result of a Family Division hearing on parent/child contact. Complainant alleges that the Judge did not grant his request for a continuance which was made during the hearing at a time when the evidence did not appear to be favoring him. Complainant also alleges that the Judge did not consider his evidence, based apparently on his disagreement with the Court's ruling. This is an issue for appeal. If founded, these allegations may be violations of Canon 3(B).

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry including a review of the pleadings and orders filed by the parties in the Court, as well as a detailed review of the audio tape of the hearing. 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.

The Complaint in Docket No. 16.031 is DISMISSED.

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