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## Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 16.002

This Complaint was filed by an interested party in connection with contested zoning issues. Complainant alleged that an adverse decision was *per se* evidence of bias, although there are no facts provided in support of the allegation. If true, this would potentially be a violation of Canon 3(B)(5).

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry, noting that no party appealed the adverse ruling, the basis for which was explained by the Court in its judgment order. 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. 16.002 is DISMISSED.

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