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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 16.024

This Complaint arose out of a divorce proceeding. Complainant alleged that the Judge took too long to issue a parent child contact order after 3 days of hearings. If founded this would be a violation of Canon 3(B)(8).

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry including a review of the pleadings and orders filed by the parties in the Court. The divorce was characterized by a forensic family evaluation and testimony from expert witnesses. It generated a very large number of exhibits and proposed findings and ultimately resulted in a 43 page decision by the Court. 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. 16.024 is DISMISSED.

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