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CLOSURE REPORT OF THE VERMONT JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD

Re: Docket No.: 18.029

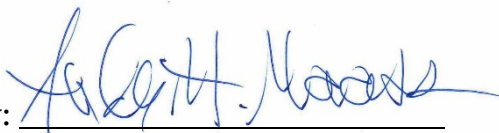
This Complaint is the result of a small claims hearing where the Complainant believed the Judge was biased against Complainant due to perceived ideological differences. The Complainant also disagreed with the outcome of the litigation, which is a matter for an appellate court, not this Board. **Rule 6(17) of the Rules for Disciplinary Control of Judges states:**

The Board shall not function as an appellate court to review the decisions of a court or judge nor exercise superintending or administrative control over determinations of courts or judges.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an Initial Inquiry including a review of the docket, a response from the Judge, and listening to the hearing in its entirety. 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. 18.029 is DISMISSED.

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By: 
Andrew H. Maass, Chair