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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 12.047

This Complaint is the result of a divorce action. The divorce was initiated in Vermont by the wife and then the Complainant husband brought divorce actions in Europe where he lives. Complainant sought unsuccessfully to have the Vermont action dismissed, and then saw his Motion to Reconsider denied. The original motion and the reconsideration motion were handled by two different judges, although the same result was reached. The Complainant alleged that both Judges were biased against him in violation of Canon 3(B)(5) as evidenced by the denials of his motion to dismiss.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry including a review of the pleadings and orders filed by the parties in the Court. To the extent the Complaint alleges ethical impropriety or a violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, rather than simply raising an appellate issue, 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 7(1).

The Complaint in Docket No. 12.047 is DISMISSED.

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By: Steven A. Adler