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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 13.013

Complainant alleges that a Judge made errors in accepting his change of plea and in sentencing him. However, a review of the docket sheet reveals that the Judge complained of was not involved in either matter. Complainant also asserts that he was coerced into voluntarily relinquishing his parental rights in a child, an event which occurred more than three years ago. Finally, Complainant did not like the decision made by the Judge to deny *ex parte* relief from abuse, although Complainant never requested that the matter be set for a hearing. There do not appear to be any specifically alleged violations of the Code.

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, 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. 13.013 is DISMISSED.

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By: Steven A. Adler