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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 13.023

This Complaint is the result of a Probate matter which involved Complainant's son's injury settlement funds. Complainant was the Trustee of his son's Trust. The Complaint included allegations of judicial bias and that the Judge "colluded" with the boy's mother to remove Complainant as Trustee. The Complaint alleges that the Judge's findings of fact were inconsistent with Complainant's testimony. This, along with claims of incorrect evidentiary rulings, challenges the correctness of the Court's decision. These are appellate issues, not ethical issues.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry. 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. 13.023 is DISMISSED.

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By: Steven A. Adler