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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 14.019

Complainant alleges that the Judge would not let him represent himself in a criminal case involving multiple felonies. Complainant's competency has been an issue in the case, the docket entries for which reveal that Complainant has himself filed a motion to appoint a new attorney. Complainant is currently represented by new counsel. Moreover, the issue of self-representation is a legal issue. Complainant also asks the Judicial Conduct Board for assistance with discovery, and to address his questions about the quality of food in the correctional system. None of these complaints reflect any potential Canon violations.

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. 14.019 is DISMISSED.

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By: Steven A. Adler