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## Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 15.014

This Complaint stems from a parent- child contact matter. Complainant alleges the Judge has demonstrated bias toward one of the parties, and that last minute rescheduling of hearings has caused unnecessary expense. Additionally, Complainant is concerned about a long delayed ruling following a merits hearing.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry including a review of the pleadings and orders filed by the parties in the Court, as well as a review of the audio tapes of several hearings. While there has been a long delay since a merits hearing, in the intervening months, motions have been filed which have caused or lengthened the delay. 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. 15.014 is DISMISSED.

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By: Steven A. Adler