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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board Re: Docket No. 15.015

This Complaint is the result of a matter in Probate Court involving a termination of parental rights proceeding. This Complaint alleges, apparently based upon the ultimate ruling in the case, that the Judge had an extra judicial relationship with the other party and that the court lacked subject matter jurisdiction over termination proceedings.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry including a review of pleadings and orders. The Board also received a comprehensive response from the Judge. 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. 15.015 is DISMISSED.

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