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Closure Report of the Vermont Judicial Conduct Board

Re: Docket No. 12.036

This Complaint is the result of a contested probate matter. The hearing took place over 2 days. Complainant alleges the Judge's behavior was unprofessional and cruel throughout the hearing, in violation of Canon 3(B)(4).

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry which included a review of the pleadings and orders filed by the parties in the Court, as well as a review of the audio tapes of the lengthy hearing. The audio record did not support the allegations. 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 7(1).

The Complaint in Docket No. 12.036 is DISMISSED.

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By: Steven A. Adler