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David J. Smith Clerk

Before the Chief Judge of the

Eleventh Judicial Circuit

Judicial Complaint No. 11-22-90122

ORDER

An individual has filed a Complaint against a United States bankruptcy judge under the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980, 28 U.S.C. §§ 351–364, and the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States.

Background

The record shows that in March 2022 Complainant filed a voluntary petition for Chapter 13 bankruptcy. A creditor filed a motion to compel Complainant to make disclosures concerning a monetary gift he had received, and the Subject Judge granted the motion to compel. The creditor later filed a motion to convert the case to a Chapter 7 case, and Complainant filed a motion to voluntarily dismiss the case. Complainant's attorney then moved to

withdraw from the case due to irreconcilable differences. There continues to be activity in the case.

Complaint

Complainant asserts the Subject Judge "is helping her partner," who is a United States bankruptcy judge, "and US Trustees with their scheme to discriminate against [Complainant] based on [his] sex, race, origin, economic and Parenting family status." Complainant states he was denied access to file time-sensitive documents that were received by the court clerk in July 2022 but have not been filed. Complainant states, "They have the malicious, discriminating intention of forcing [Complainant] to pay an un-existent debt without evidence, applying the law, and allowing the debtors due process, testimonies, and witnesses." Finally, Complainant states that his attorney withdrew from the case "after seeing the pressure of the Judge and the route she was headed."

Discussion

Complainant's claims are based on allegations lacking sufficient evidence to raise an inference that the Subject Judge acted with an illicit or improper motive, was part of an improper scheme, discriminated against Complainant, or otherwise engaged in misconduct.

The Complaint "is based on allegations lacking sufficient evidence to raise an inference that misconduct has occurred or that a disability exists," under Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(D). For that reason, this Complaint is **DISMISSED**.

/s/ William H. Pryor Jr. Chief Judge