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David J. Smith Clerk

Before the Chief Judge of the

Eleventh Judicial Circuit

Judicial Complaint No. 11-23-90052

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#### **ORDER**

An individual has filed a Complaint against a United States district 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 establishes that in 2020 Complainant and another individual filed a civil-rights complaint against two defendants, and they later filed an amended complaint. A magistrate judge issued a report recommending that the amended complaint be dismissed. The Subject Judge then entered an order adopting the report and recommendation and dismissing the case.

### Complaint

Complainant states that the Subject Judge previously served in a state agency with an attorney whom Complainant would call as a witness if her case was allowed to proceed to trial. She states the Subject Judge "has been working closely with and is familiar with many of the people to be called as witnesses to the cases."

#### Discussion

The Complaint fails to present a basis for a finding of misconduct. Complainant's claims are based on allegations lacking sufficient evidence to raise an inference that the Subject Judge engaged in misconduct. Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(D). For that reason, this Complaint is **DISMISSED**.

/s/ William H. Pryor Jr.
Chief Judge