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David J. Smith
Clerk

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Before the Chief Judge of the
Eleventh Judicial Circuit

Judicial Complaint No. 11-23-90056

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

In her judicial complaint, Complainant alleges that her complaint concerns the Subject Judge’s conduct in three cases. But the record establishes that the Subject Judge was not involved in any of those cases or in any other case where Complainant was the plaintiff.

Complaint

Complainant states she lives near the Subject Judge and has interacted with his wife and children on occasion. She states the

Subject Judge is a member of a certain group that was “instrumental in reporting, fining and separating” her from her home. She asserts that, “more recently,” the Subject Judge “has been influencing” a deputy United States Marshal, who tried to coerce her into removing certain social-media posts that the Subject Judge “was included in and found offensive.” Complainant also states the Subject Judge was acquainted with other individuals who were connected to her ex-husband, and that her ex-husband was “named as the main perpetrator . . . in this and all complaints.” She further states that the Subject Judge is acquainted with her ex-husband’s former attorney who “will be compelled to testify in my cases as well.”

Next, Complainant states she “has also written a few blogs recently calling out [the Subject Judge] directly, putting into question his legitimacy as a fair and impartial member of the judicial system in [her] case.” She states that, not long after she made social-media posts critical of the Subject Judge and others, the Subject Judge “and other judges he works with, suddenly and inexplicably reviewed her cases after nearly a year of no movement and ruled to close or dismiss all of her cases.” She states, “[t]his seems like obvious retaliation given the amount and severity of the connections between” her and the judges in the district.

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 acted with an illicit or improper motive, had a conflict of interest, was

not impartial, retaliated against her, or otherwise engaged in misconduct. Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(D). For that reason, this Complaint is **DISMISSED**.

/s/ William H. Pryor Jr.
Chief Judge