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Before the Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit

Judicial Complaint No. 11-25-90122

ORDER

An individual has filed a Complaint against a United States circuit 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 Complainant filed a motion to vacate, set aside, or correct sentence, 28 U.S.C. § 2255, challenging certain federal convictions. Complainant later filed in this Court a petition for writ of prohibition related to the underlying proceedings and a motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The Subject Judge entered an order that, among other things, denied the *in forma pauperis* motion because the petition was frivolous. The Subject Judge's signature was typewritten. The petition was later clerically dismissed for want of prosecution.

After the district court denied Complainant's motion to vacate, he appealed and moved for a certificate of appealability in this Court. The Subject Judge entered an order denying the motion for a certificate of appealability. The Subject Judge's signature was handwritten. Complainant filed a motion for reconsideration, and a two-judge panel that included the Subject Judge denied the motion.

The record establishes that, years later, Complainant filed in this Court a petition for an extraordinary writ seeking injunctive relief in connection with his criminal proceedings. The petition was clerically dismissed for want of prosecution.

Complaint

Complainant asserts that an unknown individual forged the Subject Judge's name on the order denying his motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* and has been intentionally forwarding his timesensitive mail to a previous address. He attached documents to his Complaint. In one attachment, he contends the Subject Judge's signature was forged because it was handwritten when a previous order had a typewritten signature.

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's signature was forged or that the Subject Judge 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