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CLOSURE REPORT OF THE VERMONT JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD

Re: Docket No.: 20.004

This Complaint is the result of a matter in which the Complainant was dissatisfied with the outcome of the litigation, and believed that rulings that were not in the favor of Complaint's family member showed bias against that family member, with no other evidence of bias.

Dissatisfaction with the outcome of litigation is a matter for an appellate court, not this Board. **Rule 6(17) of the Rules for Disciplinary Control of Judges states:**

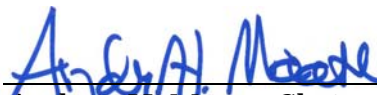
The Board shall not function as an appellate court to review the decisions of a court or judge nor exercise superintending or administrative control over determinations of courts or judges.

The Rules of the Judicial Conduct Board were sent to the Complainant, along with giving the Complainant 30 days to supplement the Complaint with specific allegations of bias other than the unfavorable rulings, but Complainant failed to do so.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry. 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 11.

Accordingly, the Complaint in Docket No. 20.004 is DISMISSED.

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By: 
Andrew H. Maass, Chair