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CLOSURE REPORT OF THE VERMONT JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD

Re: Docket No.: 20.020(a)

This Complaint is the result of a matter in which the Complainant alleged personal property was taken and not returned. The Board requested additional information but stated that if the property was kept due to a legal reason, it would be 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 under the Board's jurisdiction, noting that an appeal of the case had been taken. Complainant did send additional information but did not send information that would indicate any violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

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. 20.020 is DISMISSED.

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Barbara R. Blackman, Chair