Judicial Council of the District of Columbia Circuit

In the Matter of

Judicial Council Complaint No. DC-12-90008

A CHARGE OF JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT OR DISABILITY

ORDER

BEFORE: Chief Judge Sentelle, Henderson, Rogers, Tatel, and Garland,

Circuit Judges; Chief Judge Lamberth, Collyer, Howell, and Wilkins

District Judges

By order dated March 2, 2012, Chief Judge Sentelle dismissed a complaint filed against a Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. On March 14, 2012, the complainant filed with the Judicial Council a petition for review of the order of dismissal.

The Judicial Council noted that the plaintiff was required by federal law, adopted by Congress not the Courts, to pay the filing fee. The Judge dismissed the complaint, without a motion from the defendant, because the Judge determined that the case had been previously litigated and a final judgment had been issued. The merits of the plaintiff's complaint do not affect whether the filing fee must be paid. It is

ORDERED, by the Judicial Council, that the Chief Judge's disposition is affirmed and the petition for review is denied pursuant to Rule 19(b)(1) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings.

FOR THE COUNCIL:

ELIZABETH H. PARET Circuit Executive

March 23, 2012 Filed: