

JUDICIAL COUNCIL
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

**In the Matter of
A Complaint of Judicial
Misconduct or Disability**

Complaint No. DC-25-90043

Before: Srinivasan, Chief Judge

ORDER

Upon consideration of the complaint herein, filed against a judge of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, it is

ORDERED that the complaint be dismissed for the reasons stated in the attached Memorandum.

The Circuit Executive is directed to send copies of this Order and accompanying Memorandum to the complainant, the subject judge, and the Judicial Conference Committee on Judicial Conduct and Disability. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 352(b); JUD. CONF. U.S., RULES FOR JUDICIAL-CONDUCT AND JUDICIAL-DISABILITY PROCEEDINGS (2019), RULE 11(g)(2).


Sri Srinivasan, Chief Judge

Date: July 17, 2026

MEMORANDUM

The complainant has filed a complaint of judicial misconduct against a judge of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. For the following reasons, the misconduct complaint will be dismissed.

The complainant filed a complaint alleging discrimination, constitutional violations, and defamation. In the complaint, the complainant took issue with another federal court's dismissal on res judicata grounds of his amended complaint. In that case, the other court determined that the complainant's claims were identical to ones he had previously raised in a third federal district court. The subject judge determined that he lacked jurisdiction to review the decision of another district court and thus, to the extent the complainant sought to relitigate his claims, res judicata barred the claims. The subject judge therefore dismissed the complaint. The complainant's appeal was dismissed for lack of prosecution.

The complainant has now filed a complaint of judicial misconduct against the subject judge, alleging "Procedural Anomalies." The complainant asserts that the subject judge erroneously dismissed his complaint on res judicata grounds and that the case should have resulted in a default judgment because the defendant failed to respond to the complaint. The complainant further claims that the subject judge: "failed to issue a scheduling Order"; "appears to have made an appearance as a representative or de facto Attorney on behalf of the [defendant]"; "deprived Plaintiff [] of an opportunity to either

present or ‘offer’ his ten [10] declarations of evidence”; “perhaps engaged an Ex Parte communication directly with the [defendant’s] legal representative(s)”; “failed to order discovery”; and did not properly supervise the case administrators as evidenced by the fact that they did not “upload or publish Plaintiff[’s] declarations.”

To the extent the complainant is alleging that the subject judge failed to issue a scheduling order and deprived the complainant of an opportunity to present evidence, those allegations are challenges to the merits of the subject judge’s dismissal order. “Any allegation that calls into question the correctness of an official decision or procedural ruling of a judge – without more – is merits-related.” JUD. CONF. RULES FOR JUDICIAL-CONDUCT AND JUDICIAL-DISABILITY PROCEEDINGS, Rule 4(b)(1) Commentary ¶ 12. Such an allegation does not constitute “[c]ognizable misconduct” under the Judicial-Conduct Proceedings Rules or the applicable statute. *Id.*

To the extent the complainant asserts that the subject judge allegedly acted as counsel for the defendant, engaged in *ex parte* communications with defendant’s counsel, and failed to properly supervise the case administrators, those claims are also without merit. Other than his own evident belief that misconduct has occurred, the complainant has not provided any evidence of wrongdoing. Thus, the complaint “lack[s] sufficient

evidence to raise an inference that misconduct has occurred,” and will be dismissed. *See* JUDICIAL-CONDUCT PROCEEDINGS RULE 11(c)(1)(D); *see* 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(iii).¹

¹ Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 352(c) and JUDICIAL-CONDUCT PROCEEDINGS RULE 18(a), the complainant may file a petition for review by the Judicial Council of the District of Columbia Circuit. Any petition must be filed in the Office of the Circuit Executive for the D.C. Circuit within 42 days after the date of the dismissal order. JUDICIAL-CONDUCT PROCEEDINGS RULE 18(b).