## JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE TENTH CIRCUIT

## IN RE: COMPLAINT UNDER THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT AND DISABILITY ACT

Nos. 10-16-90015 & 10-16-90016

## Before **TYMKOVICH**, Chief Judge

## ORDER

Complainant has filed a complaint of judicial misconduct against a district judge and a magistrate judge in this circuit. My consideration of this complaint is governed by the misconduct rules issued by the Judicial Conference of the United States, entitled *Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings* (the "JCD Rules"), the federal statutes addressing judicial conduct and disability, 28 U.S.C. § 351 *et seq.*, and relevant prior decisions of the full Judicial Council of this circuit that are consistent with those authorities.

The JCD Rules and this circuit's local misconduct rules are available to complainants on the Tenth Circuit's web page at: http://www.ca10.uscourts.gov/ ce/misconduct. Paper copies are also furnished by the Circuit Executive's Office upon request. In accordance with those rules, the names of the complainant and subject judges shall not be disclosed in this order. *See* JCD Rule 11(g)(2).

Complainant alleges the district judge presiding over his civil matter engaged in misconduct. Complainant contends the district judge violated complainant's right to

privacy, but does not provide further explanation. He also contends the final order in his case had been tampered with. Complainant concedes that the magistrate judge, also included in his complaint, was likely not involved, but explained that he wanted an investigation to "clear things up."

Complainant has not provided any explanation for his allegations, let alone offered any evidence or identified any source by which evidence could be obtained to substantiate his allegations. Consequently, complainant's allegations fail because they are completely unsupported. The JCD Rules require complainants to support their allegations with "sufficient evidence to raise an inference that misconduct has occurred." *See* JCD Rule 11(c)(1)(D).

Accordingly, this complaint is dismissed pursuant to JCD Rule 11(c). The Circuit Executive is directed to transmit this order to complainant and copies to the subject judges and the Judicial Conference Committee on Judicial Conduct and Disability. *See* JCD Rule 11(g)(2). To seek review of this order, complainant must file a petition for review by the Judicial Council. The requirements for filing a petition for review are set out in JCD Rule 18(b). The petition must be filed with the Office of the Circuit Executive within 42 days after the date of the chief judge's order. *Id*.

So ordered this 19th day of July, 2016.

/s/ Timothy M. Tymkovich

Honorable Timothy M. Tymkovich Chief Circuit Judge

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