JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE TENTH CIRCUIT

IN RE: COMPLAINT UNDER THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT AND DISABILITY ACT

No. 10-20-90034

Before TYMKOVICH, Chief Judge

ORDER

Complainant has filed a complaint of judicial misconduct against a bankruptcy 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 judge shall not be disclosed in this order. *See* JCD Rule 11(g)(2).

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Complainant appears to take issue with the accounting of his property in his bankruptcy matter. He contends that the subject judge has covered up or withheld information regarding complainant's property. Complainant asserts that the subject judge is prejudiced against him. While complainant's allegations can state valid claims for misconduct, *see* Commentary to JCD Rule 4, these claims fail because they are completely unsupported. Although complainant provided information which he contends support his allegations, these documents do not provide "sufficient evidence to raise an inference that misconduct has occurred." *See* JCD Rule 11(c)(1)(D).

Complainant's remaining allegations are against non-federal judges and are not cognizable misconduct. *See* JCD Rule 1(b) (providing "[a] covered judge is defined under the Act and is limited to judges of United States courts of appeals, judges of United States district courts, judges of United States bankruptcy courts, United States magistrate judges, and judges of the courts specified in 28 U.S.C. § 363").

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 judge 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).

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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 1st day of April, 2021.

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Honorable Timothy M. Tymkovich Chief Circuit Judge