

JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

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JCP No. 08-21-90067

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In re Complaint of John Doe<sup>1</sup>

This is a judicial complaint filed by an inmate (“complainant”) against the United States district judge who was assigned to the complainant’s petition for writ of habeas corpus.

The complainant brought the judicial complaint “against [the district judge] for [the district judge’s] inability to follow Supreme Court law in [the] rulings.”

I have reviewed the record. *See* Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States (J.C.U.S.) Rule 11(b). The judicial complaint’s allegation challenges the district court’s order dismissing the petition for writ of habeas corpus and must be dismissed as “directly related to the merits of a decision or procedural ruling.” 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii); *accord* J.C.U.S. Rules 4(b)(1), 11(c)(1)(B).

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<sup>1</sup>Under Rule 4(f)(1) of the Rules Governing Complaints of Judicial Misconduct and Disability of the Eighth Circuit, the names of the complainant and the judicial officer complained against are to remain confidential, except in special circumstances not here present.

Accordingly, the judicial complaint is dismissed.

May 23, 2022



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Lavenski R. Smith, Chief Judge  
United States Court of Appeals  
for the Eighth Circuit