

United States Court of Appeals
For the Eighth Circuit

No. 19-2398

Gwen G. Caranchini

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

Rick Peck, individually

Defendant - Appellee

Appeal from United States District Court
for the Western District of Missouri - Kansas City

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Before LOKEN, SHEPHERD, and ERICKSON, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

In this diversity action, Gwen Caranchini appeals following the district court's¹ dismissal of her complaint for failing to state a claim, challenging only the denial of

¹The Honorable Greg Kays, United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri.

her motions to recuse. After careful review of the record, we conclude that the district court did not abuse its discretion in denying Caranchini's motions. See Jenkins v. Ark. Power & Light Co., 140 F.3d 1161, 1164 (8th Cir. 1998) (denial of motion to recuse is reviewed for abuse of discretion); cf. United States v. Melton, 738 F.3d 903, 905-06 (8th Cir. 2013) (party seeking recusal bears burden of rebutting presumption that judge is impartial; judicial rulings rarely establish valid basis for recusal, and this general rule holds true where party seeking recusal fails to present evidence demonstrating partiality). Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.
