Judicial Council for the Fifth Circuit

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Lyle W. Cayce
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Complaint Number: 05-25-90038

IN RE COMPLAINT OF JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT UNDER THE JUDICIAL IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2002.

ORDER AND MEMORANDUM OF REASONS

Complainant, a federal prisoner, has filed a complaint alleging misconduct by the subject United States Magistrate Judge in a pending 28 U.S.C. § 2254 proceeding.

Complainant complains that the magistrate judge denied his rights to "due process and equal protection of law" by granting the respondent's motions for extensions of time to file a response to Complainant's 28 U.S.C. § 2254 petition despite the respondent's failure to show good cause. Complainant appears to complain further that the magistrate judge has taken no action on his multiple motions for summary judgment and has failed to convene an evidentiary hearing pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2243.

The complaint relates directly to the merits of decisions or procedural rulings and is therefore subject to dismissal under 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii).

Judicial misconduct proceedings are not a substitute for the normal appellate review process, nor may they be used to obtain reversal of a decision or a new trial.

An order dismissing the complaint is entered simultaneously herewith.

Jennifer Walker Elrod
Chief Circuit Judge