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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

OCT 17 2017

FIFTH CIRCUIT LYLE W. CAYCE, CLERK

Complaint Number: 05-17-90105

## **MEMORANDUM**

Complainant, a state prisoner, alleges that in denying his application for a certificate of appealability, the subject United States Circuit Judge "plainly and deliberately disregarded" the alleged defects in the indictment underlying complainant's wrongful conviction, and thereby violated his Fourteenth Amendment rights.

The allegation relates directly to the merits of the judge's decision, 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.

This is complainant's third merits-related judicial misconduct complaint in less than three months. Complainant is WARNED that should he file a further merits-related, conclusory, or frivolous complaint, his right to file complaints may be suspended and, unless he is able to show cause why he should not be barred from filing future complaints, the suspension will continue indefinitely. See Rule 10(a), Rules For Judicial-Conduct or Judicial-Disability Proceedings.

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An order dismissing the complaint is entered simultaneously herewith.

Carl E. Steward

Chief Judge

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