Judicial Council for the Fifth Circuit

United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit **FILED** May 12, 2021 Lyle W. Cayce Clerk

Complaint Number: 05-21-90104

MEMORANDUM

Complainant, a criminal defendant, alleges misconduct by the subject United States District Judge in the underlying criminal proceedings.

Complainant states that she is a "Moorish American" and a "free national and free human sentient being" not subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, and she is innocent of the charges against her and should have not been initially detained. She alleges that during a February 2021 hearing, the judge improperly "threatened me by insinuating she has the power to rescind bond" and terminated the video hearing "without warning." Complainant further complains that the judge's revocation of her bond several weeks later was "extremely inappropriate and unethical . . . with no grounds aside from personal emotion," and she submits that the judge violated her rights and "failed to respect the Treaty of Peace and Friendship (1787)" between the United States and Morocco.¹

To the extent that these allegations relate directly to the merits of the judge's rulings and procedural decisions, they are subject to dismissal under 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii). In other respects, any assertions of bias or personal animus appear entirely derivative of the merits-related charges, but

¹See <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moroccan%E2%80%93American_Treaty_of_Friendship</u>.

to the extent the allegations are separate, they are wholly unsupported, and are therefore subject to dismissal under 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(iii) as "lacking sufficient evidence to raise an inference that misconduct has occurred."

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.

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Priscilla R. Owen Chief United States Circuit Judge

May 6, 2021