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Lyle W. Cayce
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Judicial Council for the Fifth Circuit

Complaint Number: 05-26-90092

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

ORDER

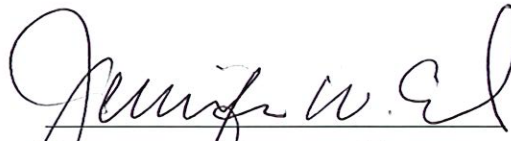
Complainant, a pro se litigant, has filed a complaint alleging misconduct by a United States Magistrate Judge in a 42 U.S.C. § 1983 proceeding.

Complainant complains that the magistrate judge denied her motions for appointment of counsel and for an Arabic interpreter “without valid legal basis,” and “repeatedly mischaracterized” her 42 U.S.C. § 1983 suit as “a family dispute.” Complainant asserts that the magistrate judge’s adverse decisions harmed her access to the courts, violated her due process rights, and showed bias, prejudice, and unfair treatment. Complainant provides no support for her allegations of improper motive, other than her claim that the magistrate judge’s decisions were erroneous and adverse to her.

To the extent that these allegations relate directly to the merits of decisions or procedural rulings, they are subject to dismissal under 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii). The complaint procedures in 28 U.S.C. §§ 351-364 may not be used to challenge the correctness of a judge’s ruling or decision. *See* Rule 4(b)(1) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings.

The assertions of bias, prejudice, and impropriety are 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.” Adverse decisions alone do not constitute evidence of bias. *See Liteky v. United States*, 510 U.S. 540, 555 (1994).

The complaint is DISMISSED. An unredacted private order is entered simultaneously herewith.



JENNIFER WALKER ELROD
Chief Judge