

## JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

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JCP No. 08-24-90124

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In re Complaints of John Doe\*

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These are several complaints of judicial misconduct filed by a civil litigant. One complaint is filed against a district judge and a magistrate judge who were assigned to a civil case brought by the complainant. A second complaint is against a district judge who was assigned to a civil case that the complainant filed with another plaintiff. The third complaint is lodged against a district judge who was assigned to a civil case brought by the complainant's co-plaintiff.

In their lawsuits, the plaintiffs sued police officers and other defendants after the officers conducted traffic stops in which the plaintiffs were seized. The civil complaints alleged, among other things, that the officers violated the plaintiffs' right to travel and stole the plaintiffs' identities by using their identification to issue citations. In each case, the district judge dismissed the complaint as either frivolous or for failure to state a claim. The court observed that the plaintiffs raised "sovereign citizen-like theories," which have been consistently rejected by federal courts. In the case filed only by the complainant, the district judge adopted the recommendation of the magistrate judge.

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\*Under Rule 24(a) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings, the names of the complainant and the subject judge are not disclosed. Citations or references herein to a "Rule" refer to these Rules.

The complainant alleges that the judges are “foreign actors on U.S.A. soil committing fraud forcing involuntary slavery/servitude via artificial-legal persons, grammatical deception,” and that they are “aiding and abetting” the illegal actions of the officers. The complainant alleges that the judges are defaming the character of the plaintiffs by labeling them sovereign citizens, and that the plaintiffs were “openly denied an Article III Constitution Court where proper English is used and where real law/American Common Law prevails.”

The allegations about the judges’ orders are subject to dismissal as “directly related to the merits of a decision or procedural ruling.” 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii); Rule 11(c)(1)(B). The complaints are otherwise frivolous. *See* Rule 11(c)(1)(C).

For these reasons, the judicial complaints are dismissed.

/s/ Steven M. Colloton  
Chief Judge

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