

JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

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In re Complaint of John Doe*

This is a complaint of judicial misconduct against a district judge and a magistrate judge who were assigned to the complainant's civil case.

The complainant alleges that (1) "this case was suppose[d] to be assigned to a new civil federal judge but it hasn't been but [the complainant] has file[d] an amended IFP and amended civil complaint," (2) she has been filing motions and calling the judges' chambers to request a schedule for her amended motion, (3) the judges have not issued a summons to the defendants although it has been pending for almost three months and she has not been given a date, and (4) she would like her IFP form to be revised to allow her to pay the fee.

The record shows that on May 19, 2025, the complainant filed a civil rights lawsuit against two police officers and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (IFP). The case was assigned to the district judge and referred to the magistrate judge. The district judge granted the complainant, a restricted filer, authorization to file the lawsuit. The complainant filed motions to amend her pleadings to add a claim for punitive damages, and a motion to void her IFP application. On June 20, 2025, the district judge dismissed the complaint without prejudice for failure to state a

*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.

claim, denied the motion to supplement, and denied the application to proceed IFP as moot.

The judicial complaint must be dismissed 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 complaint contains no allegations supporting an inference of judicial misconduct. *See* Rule 11(c)(1)(D).

For these reasons, the judicial complaint is dismissed.

/s/ Steven M. Colloton
Chief Judge

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