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## JUDICIAL COUNCIL

JUL 10 2009

OF THE NINTH CIRCUIT

MOLLY C. DWYER, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

IN RE COMPLAINT OF

No. 08-90180

JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT

**ORDER** 

## KOZINSKI, Chief Judge:

A misconduct complaint has been filed against a district judge.

Complainant's adult child, a represented litigant, filed a civil case in district court.

Complainant was not a party. The subject judge was assigned to the matter.

Complainant alleges that the judge improperly disregarded letters he filed with the court, disclosed his letters to defendants' counsel and failed to compel defendants to produce certain evidence. These charges relate directly to the merits of the judge's rulings and must therefore be dismissed. See 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii); Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(B); In re Charge of Judicial Misconduct, 685 F.2d 1226, 1227 (9th Cir. Jud. Council 1982).

Complainant's allegations against counsel are dismissed because this misconduct complaint procedure applies only to federal judges. See Judicial-Conduct Rule 4.

DISMISSED.