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**CLOSURE REPORT OF THE VERMONT JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD**

Re: Docket No.: 23.041

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This Complaint is the result of non-specific allegation which failed to identify the unethical conduct. The focus of the Complaint was concern about a criminal defendant not receiving a harsh enough sentence to keep the defendant incarcerated. This allegation indicates dissatisfaction with rulings of the judge. **Rule 6(17) of the Rules for Disciplinary Control of Judges states:**

The Board shall not function as an appellate court to review the decisions of a court or judge nor exercise superintending or administrative control over determinations of courts or judges.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an initial inquiry. To the extent the Complaint alleges ethical impropriety or a violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, the Board has determined that the Complaint is unfounded and there is no cause for further proceedings. *Rules of the Supreme Court for the Disciplinary Control of Judges*, Rule 11.

Accordingly, the Complaint in Docket No. 23.041 is DISMISSED.

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By:   
Barbara R. Blackman, Chair