

# JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD

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## CLOSURE REPORT OF THE VERMONT JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD

Re: Docket No.: 24.020

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This Complaint contained allegations of preferential treatment of a criminal defendant potentially implicating violations of Canon 1, Rule 1.2, confidence in the judiciary; and Canon 2, Rule 2.2, impartiality and fairness.

The Judicial Conduct Board conducted an Initial Inquiry pursuant to Rule 7(1) of the Rules for the Disciplinary Control of Judges, including a thorough review of the filings in the case, review of the audio of the hearings, and a response from the Judge.

To the extent the Complaint alleges ethical impropriety or a violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, the Board found no violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct during the Initial Inquiry and there is no cause for further proceedings.

Accordingly, the Complaint in Docket No. 24.020 is DISMISSED.

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By: 

Barbara R. Blackman, Chair