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### **Informing the Media, the Public, and Legislators About the Judges' Revised Rules for Discipline Self-Immunization**

Dear Judicial Discipline Reform Advocates,

Thank you for the information that you shared with me and your kind words of encouragement.

There is already a press release [1] and we can all join in issuing it to the media, the public, and legislators. It is the one that deals with the impeding adoption of the Revised Rules, which is the materialization as a set of official rules of the doctrine of judicial immunity applied systematically to dismiss all judicial misconduct and disability complaints.

[1] [http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/newsrelease\\_revised\\_rules.pdf](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/newsrelease_revised_rules.pdf)

#### **A. THE INTENDED USE AND NATURE OF THE REVISED RULES**

Indeed, the Revised Rules for judges to process such complaints against their peers were drafted by the Committee on Judicial Conduct and Disability of the Judicial Conference, which is the highest policy-making body of the Federal Judiciary.

The Rules will allow federal judges to continue doing what the official statistics show they did in the 10-year period 1997-2006: Out of the 7,462 complaints filed against judges' misconduct, such as abuse of power, bias, conflict of interests, prejudice, corruption, etc., and disability, the judges disciplined only 9 of their peers!

Thus, they dismissed 99.88% of all complaints. Such self-immunization from any discipline was effected by the judges systematically, without any investigation, for out of those 7,462 complaints they only had 7 investigated by appointing a special committee.

The Revised Rules were announced to have been submitted to the Judicial Conference. It is all but certain that the Conference will adopt them at its next meeting in Washington, D.C., on March 11. This expectation is reasonably based on the fact that adopting the Rules will be in self-interest given that the Conference is composed of 27 judges, including all the chief circuit judges and its presiding officer, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Moreover, the chief circuit judges are the officers to whom the complaints must be first submitted and the first to dismiss them systematically.

#### **B. THE STAKES IN THE ADOPTION OF THE REVISED RULES**

This means that the window of opportunity is becoming ever narrower to conduct an information drive against their adoption by alerting the media and the general public to the

insidious nature of the Revised Rules as a license that the judges self-grant to continue systematically dismissing complaints against themselves and thereby free the way to engage in unethical and even criminal conduct without fearing any adverse consequences.

The announcement and the Rules can be downloaded through [http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/submitted\\_Rules.pdf](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/submitted_Rules.pdf).

A detailed and critical comment on the Rules is found at [http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/DrCordero\\_Revised\\_Rules.pdf](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/DrCordero_Revised_Rules.pdf).

## **C. PEOPLE AND ENTITIES TO WHOM TO OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF THE REVISED RULES**

The files below contain a very large number of email and postal addresses as well as fax numbers to which you can send either your own criticism of the Revised Rules or the concise statement against them found at [http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/newsrelease\\_revised\\_rules.pdf](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/newsrelease_revised_rules.pdf).

### **1. To news media and journalists**

[http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/media\\_contact\\_info.doc](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/media_contact_info.doc)

(also at [http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/media\\_contact\\_info.PDF](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/media_contact_info.PDF)).

### **2. To the Senators**

[http://Judicial-DisciplineReform.org/judicial\\_complaints/Senate\\_contact\\_info.pdf](http://Judicial-DisciplineReform.org/judicial_complaints/Senate_contact_info.pdf).

### **3. To the members of the House of Representatives**

[http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/HR\\_contact\\_info.doc](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/HR_contact_info.doc)

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To mail the newsrelease or the comments, the mailing labels of the H.R. members can be retrieved in Word, WordPerfect, Excel, and ASCII through [http://clerk.house.gov/member\\_info/index.html](http://clerk.house.gov/member_info/index.html).

### **4. To the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court**

Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr.  
Presiding Officer

Judicial Conference of the U.S.  
Supreme Court of the U.S.  
One First Street, N.E.  
Washington, DC 20543

Supreme Court Public Information Office: 202-479-3211;  
Clerk's Office: 202-479-3011

## **5. To the other members of the Judicial Conference of the U.S.**

The names of the members of the Conference are found at <http://www.uscourts.gov/judconf/members/2008.html>. (The membership is partly renewed every October 1.)

I have provided contact information about the Conference members at [http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial\\_complaints/Jud\\_Confer\\_contact\\_info.pdf](http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/judicial_complaints/Jud_Confer_contact_info.pdf).

## **6. To the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts**

You can send the concise newsrelease or the detailed comments to the Secretariat of the Judicial Conference at the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts and request that the Secretary to the Conference, who is also the Director of the Office, submit them to the Conference.

Judicial Conference of the U.S.  
Att.: Mr. James C. Duff  
Conference Secretary & AO Director  
Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts  
One Columbus Circle NE  
Washington, DC 20544; tel. (202) 502-2400

We should not miss this opportunity to outrage the public by exposing the judges as the only class of people in our country that through their abusive exercise of official power have in effect arrogated an "Unequal Position Above Law".

Please let us know how you can contribute to this information drive.

Sincerely,

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