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## JUDICIAL COUNCIL

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OF THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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

IN RE COMPLAINT OF

No. 09-90122

JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT

**ORDER** 

## KOZINSKI, Chief Judge:

Complainant, a pro se prisoner, alleges that a magistrate judge made various improper substantive and procedural rulings. 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). A misconduct complaint is not the proper vehicle for challenging a judge's rulings. See In re Charge of Judicial Misconduct, 685 F.2d 1226, 1227 (9th Cir. Jud. Council 1982).

Complainant also alleges that the judge was biased against him. But complainant hasn't provided any objectively verifiable proof (for example, names of witnesses, recorded documents or transcripts) to support these allegations. <u>In re Complaint of Judicial Misconduct</u>, 569 F.3d 1093, 1093 (9th Cir. Jud. Council 2009). Adverse rulings alone do not constitute proof of bias. Because there is no evidence of misconduct, these charges must be dismissed. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(iii); Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(D).

Complainant's request that his case be reassigned is not cognizable under the misconduct complaint procedure. <u>See</u> Judicial-Conduct Rule 3(h).

DISMISSED.