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

OF THE NINTH CIRCUIT

IN RE COMPLAINT OF

No. 16-90177

JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT

ORDER

THOMAS, Chief Judge:

Complainant, a pro se prisoner, alleges that a district judge improperly denied discovery motions and made various other improper rulings in the underlying civil case. These allegations relate directly to the merits of the judge's rulings and must be dismissed. See 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii); In re Charge of Judicial Misconduct, 685 F.2d 1226, 1227 (9th Cir. Jud. Council 1982); Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(B).

To the extent complainant alleges the judge was biased in favor of the opposing party, adverse rulings are not proof of bias, and complainant provides no objectively verifiable evidence to support these allegations, which are dismissed as unfounded. See 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(iii);. In re Complaint of Judicial Misconduct, 583 F.3d 598 (9th Cir. Jud. Council 2009); Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(D).

DISMISSED.