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**JUDICIAL COUNCIL
OF THE NINTH CIRCUIT**

**IN RE COMPLAINT OF
JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT**

Nos. 18-90005, 18-90006
and 18-90007

ORDER

THOMAS, Chief Judge:

Complainant, a pro se prisoner, alleges that a magistrate judge improperly recommended dismissing his case, and that a district judge improperly adopted that recommendation. Complainant also alleges that another district judge improperly denied a motion to recuse, and that all three judges made various other improper rulings in the underlying case. These allegations relate directly to the merits of the judges' 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).

Complainant further alleges that the judges have conspired with the government and have obstructed justice and committed racketeering. However, adverse rulings are not proof of bias or conspiracy, and complainant provides no objectively verifiable evidence to support these vague and speculative 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); In

re Complaint of Judicial Misconduct, 569 F.3d 1093 (9th Cir. Jud. Council 2009)

(“complainant’s vague insinuations do not provide the kind of objectively verifiable proof that we require”); Judicial-Conduct Rule 11(c)(1)(D).

DISMISSED.