BOARD OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2021

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The number and category of complaints OPENED¹:

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<u>MC</u>	NTH	YEAR-TO-DATE
A) Failure to comply with law:	19	221
B) Bias, prejudice and unfairness:	5	59
C) Discourtesy:	2	12
D) Abuse of office:	0	21
E) Delay:	1	13
F) Ex parte communications:	0	3
G) Disability:	0	0
H) Political violation:	0	3
I) Recusal:	1	9
J) Miscellaneous:	- 3	9
$TOTAL^2$:	31	350

The number and category of complaints CLOSED:

	THIS	
$\underline{\mathbf{N}}$	IONTH	YEAR-TO-DATE
A) Failure to comply with law:	15	213
B) Bias, prejudice and unfairness:	0	52
C) Discourtesy:	0	13
D) Abuse of office:	0	23
E) Delay:	1	13
F) Ex parte communications:	0	3
G) Disability:	0	0
H) Political violation:	0	1
I) Recusal:	0	7
J) Miscellaneous:	3	8
TOTAL	19	333

^{1.} A single complaint naming several judges is counted as a separate complaint against each judge. A complaint whose allegations encompass more than one category is listed under the most serious category alleged. On March 13, 2020, the Tennessee Supreme Court declared a state of Emergency for the Judicial Branch of Tennessee government and suspended in-person court proceedings, with certain exceptions through March 31, 2020. See In re: Covid-19 Pandemic, No. ADM2020-00428 (Tenn. 2020). On March 25, 2020, the Tennessee Supreme Court continued the suspension of in-court proceedings through April 30, 2020. Id. On April 24, 2020, the Tennessee Supreme Court modified the prior suspension of in-person proceedings. See In re: Covid-19 Pandemic, No. ADM2020-00428 (Tenn. April 24, 2020).

^{2.} Out of the 31 total complaints filed, 48% were filed by inmates. Similarly, out of the 31 complaints, 90% were filed by the party that lost in the underlying proceeding.

DISPOSITION of the complaints closed by CATEGORY:

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	<u>MONTH</u>	YEAR-TO-DATE
A) Failure to comply with law	_	
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling		133
Dismissed, no jurisdiction		1
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis		60
Dismissal with warning		1
Dismissal after full investigation		0
Deferred discipline agreement		0
Private reprimand		2
Public reprimand	0	1
Other	0	15
Retired complaint, no longer a judge	0	0
Suspension	0	0
Recommendation of removal from offic	e <u>0</u>	0
TOTAL	15	213
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B) Bias, prejudice and unfairness:	MONTH	
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E) Delay:		
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling	ng 0	3
Dismissed, no jurisdiction	0	0
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis	 1	7
Dismissal with warning	0	1
Dismissal after full investigation	0	0
Deferred discipline agreement	· 0	1
Private reprimand	0	0
Public reprimand	0	0
Other	0	1
Retired complaint, no longer a judge -	0	0
Suspension	0	0
Recommendation of removal from off	ice <u>0</u>	_0
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F) Ex parte communications:		
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling	0	1
Dismissed, no jurisdiction	0	0
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis	0	2
Dismissal with warning	0	0
Dismissal after full investigation	- 0	0
Deferred discipline agreement	- 0	0
Private reprimand		0
Public reprimand	- 0	0
Other		0
Retired complaint, no longer a judge	0	0
Suspension	- 0	0
Recommendation of removal from office -	0	_0
TOTAL	0	3

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G) Disability:		
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling	0	0
Dismissed, no jurisdiction	0	0
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis	0	0
Dismissal with warning	0	0
Dismissal after full investigation	· - 0	0
Deferred discipline agreement	0	0
Private reprimand	0	0
Public reprimand	0	0
Other	0	0
Retired complaint, no longer a judge	0	0
Suspension	0	0
Recommendation of removal from office -	0	_0
TOTAL	0	0

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H) Political violation:		
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling	0	0
Dismissed, no jurisdiction	0	0
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis	0	0
Dismissal with warning	0	1
Dismissal after full investigation	0	0
Deferred discipline agreement	0	0
Private reprimand	0	0
Public reprimand	0	0
Other	0	0
Retired complaint, no longer a judge	0	0
Suspension	0	0
Recommendation of removal from office	0	<u> </u>
TOTAL	0	1

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I) Recusal:		
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling	0	4
Dismissed, no jurisdiction	0	0
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis	0	3
Dismissal with warning	0	0
Dismissal after full investigation	0	0
Deferred discipline agreement	0	0
Private reprimand	0	0
Public reprimand	0	0
Other	0	0
Retired complaint, no longer a judge	0	0
Suspension	0	0
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J) Miscellaneous:	MONTH	
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