

JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT

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J.C. Nos. 03-24-90148, 03-24-90149, and 03-25-90018

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IN RE: COMPLAINT OF JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT  
OR DISABILITY

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PRESENT: SHWARTZ, KRAUSE, RESTREPO, BIBAS, HORNAK,  
CONNOLLY, BRANN, BUMB and GOLDBERG  
Members of the Judicial Council of the Third Circuit

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ORDER

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In a Memorandum Opinion and Order dated and filed on February 26, 2025, Circuit Judge Thomas M. Hardiman dismissed the complaint in the above matter. Complainant filed a petition for review by the Judicial Council of the Third Circuit on March 11, 2025.<sup>1</sup>

The Judicial Council has considered the petition for review and has concluded that the relief requested should be denied and the order of Circuit Judge

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<sup>1</sup> In issuing the underlying opinion, Judge Hardiman was acting as Chief Judge pursuant to Rule 25(f), Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings (assigning the Chief Judge’s duties to the “most-senior active circuit judge not disqualified”). Accordingly, Judge Hardiman is now disqualified from considering Complainant’s petition for review. For purposes of this petition for review, the undersigned is now the “most-senior active circuit judge not disqualified.”

Thomas M. Hardiman should be affirmed for the reasons set forth in his Memorandum Opinion.

Pursuant to Rule 19, Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings, it is therefore ORDERED that the February 26, 2025, order of Circuit Judge Thomas M. Hardiman is AFFIRMED.

The parties are notified that this order is final and conclusive and is not judicially reviewable on appeal or otherwise. See 28 U.S.C. § 352(c).

For the Council,

s/ Patty Shwartz  
Circuit Judge

Dated: May 13, 2025