

In now insisting that the President consult, instead, with his personal consiglieri who invariably is — should be — out of the loop on affairs of state, diplomatic nuance, legislative agendas and intelligence security matters, the result is the nation will suffer.

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2d Circuit Limits on Frequent Complainers

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posed because his complaints have not put an undue burden on the court.

Restriction Warranted

"Just as those who abuse the normal processes of litigation may be restricted in their opportunity to initiate new lawsuits, those who abuse the judicial misconduct complaint procedure may also be restricted in their opportunity to initiate new misconduct complaints," Judge Newman wrote.

"The integrity of the misconduct complaint procedure, a matter of importance to all persons with a legitimate basis for making a complaint within the scope of 28 USC §372(c), will be maintained by imposing a 'leave to file' restriction on those who abuse this procedure."

Second Circuit Executive Steven Flanders estimated there are only a handful of people at any time who may be called vexatious repeat filers of judicial misconduct complaints. He said there are far fewer than the two dozen litigants on a special court list who need permission from an unidentified Circuit Judge to file additional motions in the Second Circuit.

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The Judicial Council of the Circuit's chief judge, the senior active appellate judge and the Circuit's chief judges. Currently, it includes Judge Newman, Circuit Judge, Ralph W. Winter, Frank Altman, J. B. and John Walker and Judges Thomas Griesa, Eastern District, Thomas P. Western District, Michael T. the Northern District, Judge of Connecticut and Vermont.

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Association of the Bar of the City of New York

First of three-part series on "Science for Environmentalists, Lawyers and Other Environmental Professionals," 6 p.m.

Panel discussion on "Significant Developments in Federal Court Practice," 7 p.m., 42 West 44th Street. For information: 382-6600.

New York County Lawyers' Association

Seminar on "Civil Trial Practice," 5:45 p.m., 14 Vesey Street. For information: 267-6646.

Practising Law Institute

Seminar on "Sound Recordings — Basic and Advanced," 9:30 a.m., 810 Seventh Avenue.

Suffolk County Bar Association Seminar on "Motion Practice," 6:30 p.m., 560 Wheeler Road, Hauppauge. For information: (516) 864-1800.

TOMORROW

Association of the Bar of the City of New York

Co-ops and condos luncheon and panel discussion, "Unsold Shares: What's a Bank To Do?", noon, 42 West 44th Street. For information: 382-6600.

Practising Law Institute

Seminar on "Music Publishing, Ethics and Entertainment Law Practice," 9:30 a.m., 810 Seventh Avenue. For information: 765-5700.

Northern Westchester Bar Association

Dinner meeting, 6:15 p.m., The Kettle House, 11 Kittle Road, Chappaqua. For information: (914) 681-0444.

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Association of the Bar of the City of New York

Second of three-part series on "Science for Environmentalists, Lawyers and Other Environmental Professionals," March 21, 6 p.m.

Program, "An Evening with L. Holzman, Bronx County Surrogate," March 21, 7 p.m., 42 West 44th Street. For information: 382-6600.