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Illustrative list of official courts documents and sources to research riskless abuse of power by federal judges of the United States[‡]

- 1. The proposed research of judges' abuse of power will *begin* with a source that the judges will not be able to impeach: their own publications. Access to them should be easy where the judiciaries and even individual courts have websites that are open to the public and publish, in addition to judges' decisions, their own reports, statistics, newsletters, speeches, etc.
- 2. The examples of research sources provided hereunder are from federal and state judiciaries and courts in the United States. They are likely to have equivalents in your own country.
- 3. The research of all those sources will make our combined effort truly international. It will establish the common ground of the conduct of judges all over the world: Their unaccountability. That is the enabling circumstance of their abuse of power; it is aggravated by the secrecy, coordination, and the risklessness resulting from their self-exemption from complaints and connivance with politicians.
- 4. Our library research should furnish the convincing evidence that the media need to take the risky step of taking on judges by conducting field investigations(*>OL:194§E) into their abuse. In principle, this amount to a division of labor. Yet, researchers and the media should be united in their objective: to inform and outrage *We the People*, the only entity strong enough to compel the holding of judges accountable and liable.

A. Key sources of official information of federal judges

- 5. The Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts(AO), http://www.uscourts.gov; which issues, among many things:
 - a. The Annual Report [to Congress and the public] of the Director of the AO; https://www.uscourts.gov/statistics-reports/analysis-reports/directors-annual-report;
 - b. Judicial Business of the United States Courts, containing the most comprehensive compilation of the federal courts' official statistics; https://www.uscourts.gov/statistics-reports/analysis-reports/judicial-business-united-states-courts; and
 - c. *The Third Branch Newsletter*, published by the Federal Judiciary, www.uscourts.gov/news/2012/05/24/introducing-third-branch-news; for a list of AO's similar periodicals search on its website for "newsletters" or go to https://search.uscourts.gov/search?affiliate=uscourts.gov&locale=en&query=newsletter;
 - d. Judiciary News; https://www.uscourts.gov/judiciary-news;
 - e. official news releases and articles in the official newsletter of the federal courts, http://www.uscourts.gov/News/InsideTheJudiciary.aspx
 - f. other materials, http://www.uscourts.gov/FederalCourts/PublicationsAndReports.aspx
- 6. The **Federal Judicial Center**, which is "the education and research agency of the United States federal courts", https://www.uscourts.gov/topics/federal-judicial-center;
- 7. The **Judicial Conference** of the United States, presided over by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and including "the chief judge of each judicial circuit, the Chief Judge of the Court of

International Trade, and a district judge from each regional judicial circuit" as well as two non-voting members, a bankruptcy judge and a magistrate; its only functions are to make-policy for the Federal Judiciary and decide in the last resort disciplinary matters referred to it; https://www.uscourts.gov/about-federal-courts/governance-judicial-conference/about-judicial-conference:

- a. See the official reports on its semi-annual proceedings: http://www.uscourts.gov/FederalCourts/JudicialConference/Proceedings.aspx; and
- 8. The **Supreme Court** of the U.S. Court, which issues, among other things:
 - a. The Chief Justice's XXXX Year-End Report on the Federal Courts; https://www.supremecourt.gov/publicinfo/year-end/year-endreports.aspx; see also https://www.uscourts.gov/topics/united-states-supreme-court;
 - b. Justices' speeches, e.g., http://www.supremecourt.gov/publicinfo/speeches/speeches.aspx
- 9. **The courts** of the 12 regional circuit courts, the one national circuit court; the two national court; the 94 district courts; and the 90 bankruptcy courts, whose websites can be located by going to https://www.uscourts.gov/federal-court-finder/search; https://www.uscourts.gov/about-federal-courts/federal-courts-public/court-website-links; e.g., U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; http://www.ca2.uscourts.gov/;
- 10. **PACER**, i.e., Public Access to Court Electronic Records, "an electronic public access service that allows users to obtain case and docket information online from federal appellate, district, and bankruptcy courts"; https://www.pacer.gov/index.html.
- 11. Rulings, decisions, and opinions of judges available through official court reporters and unofficial aggregators of official court materials, e.g.
 - a. Thomson Reuters's Westlaw Edge,
 https://legal.thomsonreuters.com/en/products/westlaw?cid=9008132&sfdccampaignid=7
 011B000001xcJTQAY&chl=gem ;
 - b. LexisNexis's Lexis Advance; https://www.lexisnexis.com/en-us/products/lexis-advance.page;
 - c. http://www.findlaw.com/;
 - d. https://www.fastcase.com/; and
 - e. Cornell Law School Legal Information Institute; https://www.law.cornell.edu/.

B. The laws of Congress and the statements of its members

- 12. Federal laws and rules of civil and criminal procedure, evidence; Codes: bankruptcy, tax, crimes, etc.
 - a. http://uscode.house.gov/
- 13. Reports providing the evidentiary justification for the need, purpose, and intent of legislative bills:
 - a. http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/g_three_sections_with_teasers/legislative_h ome.htm and
 - b. http://clerk.house.gov/floorsummary/floor.aspx
- 14. Statements of members of Congress on their websites:

- a. http://www.house.gov/representatives/ and
- b. http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm;
- 15. Reports of the U.S. Govt. Accountability Office, http://www.gao.gov/browse/date/week.

C. Sources of information on the state courts

- 16. To research the courts of the several states and locate those entities that are the counterparts to those listed above, use as portals the following:
 - a. Conference of Chief Justices; https://ccj.ncsc.org/; for their names and official addresses click on "Roster"; for their reports, go to https://ccj.ncsc.org/resources/reports;
 - b. Conference of State Court Administrators; https://cosca.ncsc.org/; go also to https://cosca.ncsc.org/resources/website-of-interest; and
 - c. National Center for State Courts; https://www.ncsc.org/; and check:
 - 1) Companion Sites & Resource Centers; https://www.ncsc.org/information-andresources/companion-sites; and
 - 2) for an alphabetical list of state court sites go to https://www.ncsc.org/informationand-resources/state-court-websites.

D. Offer of a presentation on exposing judges' abuse of power

- 17. I offer to present to you and your guests via video conference or in person my proposal for forming an international team to expose judges' unaccountability and consequent riskless abuse of power. You may use the information in the letterhead to contact me and discuss the presentation's terms and conditions and its scheduling.
- 18. To decide whether to organize such presentation watch my video together with its supporting slides(† >OL2:958) using the following links:

http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/OL2/DrRCordero_judges_abuse_video.mp4 http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/OL2/DrRCordero_judges_abuse_slides.pdf

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or

at the GoFundMe campaign at

https://www.gofundme.com/expose-unaccountable-judges-abuse

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[‡] http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/OL2/DrRCordero-International_Team.pdf

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