United States Court of Appeals For the First Circuit

No. 11-1675

SAMUEL BARTLEY STEELE

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

ANTHONY RICIGLIANO, ET AL.

Defendants - Appellees

Before

Boudin, Howard and Thompson, <u>Circuit Judges</u>.

JUDGMENT Entered: February 10, 2012

Plaintiff-Appellant Samuel Bartley Steele ("Steele") appeals from the judgment of the district court dismissing his claims on the basis of claim and issue preclusion and awarding sanctions pursuant to Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

After our own careful review of the record and the briefs of the parties, we affirm the dismissal of all claims, for substantially the reasons set forth in the district court's thorough memorandum and order dated May 18, 2011. Further, we discern no error or abuse of discretion in the district court's orders concerning costs and sanctions. The judgment of the district court is affirmed in all respects.

By the Court: /s/ Margaret Carter, Clerk

cc: Christopher A.D. Hunt Christopher G. Clark Matthew J. Matule Kenneth A. Plevan Clifford M. Sloan