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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT

No: 02-2140

CAROLYN B. HIDY,

Appellant

v.

TIAA GROUP LONG TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS INSURANCE POLICY,  
an employee benefit plan; TEACHERS INSURANCE AND ANNUITY  
ASSOCIATION, Claims Administrator of LTD Plan; BUCKMAN AND  
VAN BUREN, Plan Administrator of LTD Plan

Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the District of Delaware  
(C.A. No. 01-450)  
District Court: Hon. Sue L. Robinson

Submitted Pursuant to Third Circuit LAR 34.1(a)  
February 11, 2003

Before: ALITO and McKEE, Circuit Judges,  
and SCHWARZER, Senior District Judge\*

(Filed February 12, 2003)

OPINION

McKEE, Circuit Judge.

Carolyn Hidy appeals from the district court's decision that her action under the

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\*Honorable William W. Schwarzer, Senior District Judge, Northern District of California sitting by designation.

Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), ' 502(a)(1)(B), 29 U.S.C. ' 1132(a)(1)(B), in which she alleged that she was improperly denied long term disability benefits, was time-barred in light of our holding in *Syed v. Hercules Inc.*, 214 F.3d 155 (3d Cir. 2000).

Inasmuch as we write only for the parties, it is not necessary to recite the factual or procedural background of this case. Moreover, in its Memorandum Opinion, the district court carefully and completely explained its reasons for finding that Hidy's claim is time-barred. *Hidy v. TIAA Group Long Term Disability Benefits Ins. Policy*, 2002 WL 450984 (D.Del. March 19, 2002). We can add nothing to the district court's thoughtful analysis, and we will not attempt to gild the lily by engaging in a redundant discussion simply to reach the same result.

Accordingly, we will affirm the district court substantially for the reasons set forth in the district court's opinion without further elaboration.

/s/ Theodore A. McKee  
Circuit Judge