

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 06-300

Complainant: No. 1298610677A

Judge: No. 1298610677B

ORDER

The commission reviewed the complaint filed in this matter and interviewed the judge. Based on a review of the evidence, the commission determined that there was no ethical misconduct.

The complaint is dismissed pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

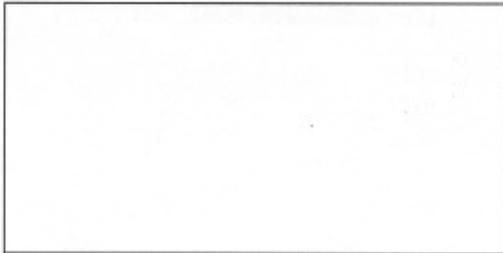
Dated: June 11, 2007.

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ Keith Stott
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on June 11, 2007.

This order may not be used as a basis for disqualification of a judge.



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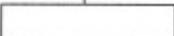
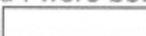
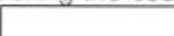
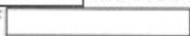
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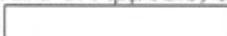
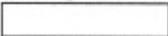
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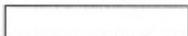
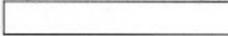
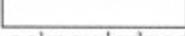
Re: 

Dear Sir or Madam:

It is with regret that I forward to you information that I believe shows that 
 violated the standards for ethical conduct of judges in her initial application for
the position and during the course of her campaign.

 and I were both candidates for the position of Judge of the
 Superior Court,  During the course of the campaign, my
campaign committee requested a copy of  judicial application from the
Governor's Office when she initially applied, but was not selected, for the same
position. Upon reviewing the application, I noted that  did not truthfully
answer at least four questions on the application. A copy of  application
is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". In particular,  did not truthfully answer the
following questions: 35, 36, 39 and 56.

 failed to disclose that she did not file or pay all of her state taxes
when timely due. When she disagreed with the assessment of the Arizona Department
of Revenue, she appealed to the Arizona State Tax Board of Appeals, and when she
disagreed with their decision, she initiated an action in  Superior Court.
 also failed to disclose that she filed for bankruptcy, and within that
bankruptcy, initiated an adversary proceeding to discharge student loans. Copies of the
decision of the Arizona State Tax Board of Appeals are attached hereto as Exhibit "B".
Copies of the tax action in  Superior Court are attached hereto as
Exhibit "C". Copies of the bankruptcy filing and adversary proceeding are attached
hereto as Exhibit "D".

When this information was revealed in the course of the campaign, 
did acknowledge the bankruptcy to a reporter from  in a broadcast
that aired on  however, she alleged the tax issue was a case of
mistaken identity. Then,  and her party enlisted the aid of 
 County Attorney.  prepared a letter in which he acknowledged



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that [redacted] filed for bankruptcy, but again stated, that [redacted] did not know if the tax issue related to her, but also stated that neither did her opponent. This letter was later published in half-page ads in both the [redacted] [redacted] These ads were paid for by [redacted] committee. A copy of the [redacted] letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "E".

I believe [redacted] conduct certainly has tainted the bench in [redacted] and the judiciary as a whole. [redacted] was the successful candidate, and is now subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission on Judicial Conduct. At the time that [redacted] [redacted] completed the judicial application, she was an attorney, and thus may fall under the Bar's jurisdiction. A separate complaint has been filed with the State Bar.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If there are any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me. After December 22, 2006, the best way to reach me will be via my cell phone [redacted]

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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