

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 12-280

Complainant: No. 1453610330A

Judge: No. 1453610330B

ORDER

The complainant alleged that a superior court judge did not allow him to present evidence of elder abuse in a probate proceeding.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the judge engaged in conduct that violated the provisions of Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution or the Code of Judicial Conduct and, if so, to take appropriate disciplinary action. The purpose and authority of the commission is limited to this mission.

After reviewing the information provided by the complainant and the electronic court records, the commission found no evidence of ethical misconduct and concluded that the judge did not violate the Code in this case. The commission does not have jurisdiction to review the legal sufficiency of the judge's rulings. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety, pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23.

Dated: November 15, 2012.

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George Riemer

George A. Riemer
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on November 15, 2012.

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

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Miscarriage of Justice
Re: Probate Case #: PB2011

To Whom It May Concern,

In the case of my mothers estate, I have suffered a miscarriage of Justice, and seek to have that rectified.

First off, I was unfortunate enough to get a lawyer who was not concerned with the facts, one Alan Gooding. All he cared about was lining his own pockets and was negligent in his duties to unbiasedly represent my family to the best of his ability. For months he refused to follow up on evidence that was brought to him that Ms. Stiteler did in fact abuse my mother for the sole purpose of stealing everything from my family. He also abandoned my family the night before court, referring us to another attorney who went into court totally unprepared to represent us. On top of that, it has also now come to my attention that while representing my family, he was under suspension from the State Bar and was not supposed to be practicing at all. He failed to respond to the Bar's inquiry to my complaint against him, and his case will be brought before the panel on 9/28/2012.

While speaking with another lawyer during a legal referral, I learned that this lawyer also had encountered this same situation in court with Mr. Gooding. And that the woman he referred us to also took over for him in that case too. So again, it appears Mr. Gooding's sole purpose was to try and get as much money out of us as he could before abandoning us and allowing my family to loose everything, my family now being a victim twice of crimes committed against them.

Judicial Complaint → Second point of concern. The judge in our case, who has also now been replaced for reasons not known to me; refused to hear evidence that there was in fact a crime of abuse committed against my mother. In my opinion this is a criminal act in itself and should be followed up on. My family is now a triple victim.

Through Legal Aide I have spoken with two lawyers to see what can be done about this. And both have told me that there is nothing that can be done. What is done is done and that's that. This is a total miscarriage of Justice and I demand that this case be re-opened and my mother's voice to be heard in court! There is enough wrong doing here to classify this case as a total mishearing and have it re-heard.

Let it be known that if this court does not acquiesce to my demands for justice that I will take the next step up the chain of command, and on, and on, until I hit the President's door if I have to. My family will get justice.

—Very Sincerely,

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