State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 13-044Judge:No. 1462700112AComplainant:No. 1462700112B

ORDER

The complainant alleged a superior court judge improperly refused to let him plead no contest, ruled against him on evidentiary issues, and made an inappropriate comment at sentencing.

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 complaint and the recording of the hearing on March 1, 2013, 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: April 19, 2013.

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George Riemer

George A. Riemer Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on April 19, 2013.

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

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Your name

Judge's name:

Date: 4-

Instructions: You can use this form or plain paper of the same size to file a complaint. Please describe in your own words what the judge did that you believe constitutes judicial misconduct. Be specific and list all of the names, dates, times and places that will help us understand your concerns. You may attach additional pages but not original court documents. Print or type on one side of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaint for your files.

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