

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 13-073

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Judge            Mark Chiles  
Complainant    Commission

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**ORDER**

The Commission learned through media reports that Judge Mark Chiles received a citation for misdemeanor shoplifting on April 3, 2013. The Mesa Police Department received video evidence and witness statements indicating the judge stole a small speaker system worth approximately \$45. In subsequent interviews with police, preserved with video and audio recordings, the judge made a statement that improperly implied he would pay to have the “situation” go away.

Based on Judge Chiles’ decision to resign and his written stipulation with the Commission that he will never again seek or accept a position involving service as a judicial officer in Arizona, the Commission decided to take no further action in this matter but to instead dismiss the case. The Commission’s decision is not made pursuant to a finding that no judicial misconduct occurred pursuant to Commission Rule 16(a), and should Judge Chiles fail to abide by his agreement to never again seek or assume a judicial office in Arizona, the Commission will re-open an investigation into the judge’s misdemeanor criminal charges and related conduct.

Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed pursuant to Rule 23. Pursuant to the judge’s stipulation, this order, including identifying information, is considered public information.

Dated: May 29, 2013.

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George Riemer

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George A. Riemer  
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judges on May 29, 2013.

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IN THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Inquiry concerning Judge	)	Case No. 13-073
	)	
<b>MARK CHILES</b>	)	
East Mesa Justice Court	)	
Maricopa County	)	<b>STIPULATION</b>
	)	
Respondent	)	
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Respondent Judge Mark Chiles together with Disciplinary Counsel for the Commission on Judicial Conduct, Jennifer Perkins, hereby stipulate that:

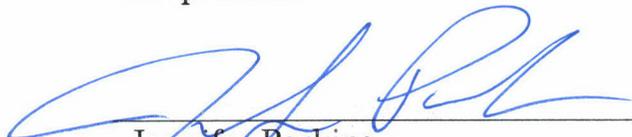
1. Respondent agrees that he will, at no time in the future, seek or accept a position involving service as a judicial officer in the State of Arizona; and
2. If the commission chooses to dismiss this matter, Respondent agrees that the dismissal order shall not be redacted as would normally be the practice.

Rather, the order will bear Respondent's name and be available to the public.

Submitted this \_\_ day of May, 2013.

  
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Mark Chiles,  
Respondent

5/8/13  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
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Jennifer Perkins,  
Disciplinary Counsel

5/10/13  
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Date