State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 13-107	
Judge:	No. 1094314675A
Complainant:	No. 1094314675B

ORDER

The complainant alleged a municipal court hearing officer was biased.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the hearing officer 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 complaint, the hearing officer's response, and the recording of the hearing, the commission found no evidence of ethical misconduct and concluded that the hearing officer did not violate the Code in this case. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety, pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23.

Dated: August 20, 2013.

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George Riemer

George A. Riemer Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the hearing officer on August 20,2013.

April 22, 2013

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2, 2013 I was in a City Courtroom waiting to contest a Police citation for being on a railroad track. My vehicle was in bumper-to-bumper traffic because road construction on Road had forced four lanes of normal traffic into two. My vehicle was on a pair of railroad tracks and fortunately, traffic allowed my vehicle to clear the tracks just as the warning lights and stop-bar began to lower. Nonetheless, a Police Officer cited me.

As the city magistrate entered the courtroom, the Honorable announced to everyone that if the citation came down to a dispute between a motorist and an officer, he was going to believe the officer. In my case, kept his word.

I've always believed a judge is supposed to be fair, impartial, and unbiased. This correspondence is my effort to continue to believe the best about our system of justice.