## State of Arizona

### COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

# Disposition of Complaint 18-035

Judge:

Complainant:

#### ORDER

The complainant alleged a superior court commissioner slandered her name and improperly denied her having contact with a defendant in a criminal case.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the commissioner 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.

The commission does not have jurisdiction to review the legal sufficiency of the commissioner's rulings. In addition, the commission found no evidence of ethical misconduct and concluded that the commissioner did not violate the Code in this case. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety, pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Dated: April 4, 2018

# FOR THE COMMISSION

<u>/s/ Margaret H. Downie</u> Margaret H. Downie Executive Director

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 4, 2018.

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

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#### COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Judge's Name: Name: Instructions: Use this form or plain paper of the same size to file a complaint. Describe in your own words what you believe the judge did that constitutes judicial misconduct. Be specific and list all of the names, dates, times, and places that will help the commission understand your concerns. Additional pages may be attached along with copies (not originals) of relevant court documents. Please complete one side of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaint for your records. I was told by that he was going to be removing his team for his case at the court date with However, when I arrived I was told mv not to have any contact with anymore because When I have knew accused me of victimizing for over 7 yrs. and has only attempted to be them for him and his family since his mother's pasting on that we both didn't have a voice in told myself and the matter and those was her orders, which I agree too. Since I have not had any contact other than the day he came to remove all his items from my with cousin garage and we asked, to give a hug. Which, they agree it was ok and we hug an said good-bye. Which was about 4 to 5 days after and I shared a joint account before Fast forwarding, ordered us to not have any contact. But, before the order was put in place communicated with me that he was going to a home where he could not leave until after he had been there for 30 days. However, I noticed some unusual activity on the account right after bank card was giving to was being withdrawn daily from the account. So. to give to I naturally withdraw the money to give to being that I could not contact to give to him at his court date in case it was not him making the withdrawals from the account. court date I sent word by one of the women attorneys that was Today, on at working in the court and show her the money orders that I wanted to give to the along with a copy of the bank statement. However, when the unknown African American attorney returned with the commissioner's response her facing expression said, a lot and she looked confused and however, the unknown African American attorney resonned by saying, I can not take that to her ( ١. I think and was attempting to arrest me because when case also called two bailiffs to approach the branch. At that time, I was was called. attempting to hand one of the two bailiffs the bank statement along with two money orders to give to responded by saying, "No, No. No." to the bailiffs and he did not take what I was giving them, and two bailiffs processed to approach the bench. and the bailiffs began to talk in private. At the time, I left the court room. I think the lies and discrediting statements started about me when original case worker attempted to take to the bank to withdraw all his money but failed because was nowhere to be found by the caseworker the day the money cleared the account. I know this because the case worker called me looking for and told me the he was calling on me. I also called that same day to let them know of my where about in case they received a call regarding my name. However, the following day case manager gave a letter stating mental health issues and his diagnoses written by which we all know is a HIPPA violation and a violation of the Privacy Act of 1974 without having

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consent. A copy of the letter was than giving to me by a teller in the bank and even she knew it was a HIPPA violation becasue she said it was when she was giving it to me. The following week a worker by the name of alled me asking to meet with me and to visit with and which, she did that same morning. She verified he was well and appeared to be of sounded mind and left stating she would have the case closed within 2 to 3 weeks.

So, becasue of original case manager violating rights. s staff have done everything in their power to slandering my name and my character to cover their butts. They also somehow convinced to hold in a room and told him he could not leave until he signed some documents. Which, caused to cry and be upset the entire weekend. When confronted about holding him in the room, responded by not seeming to remember what he was talking about. That same day was petitioned to a mental institution where he stayed until he was transferred to where he had a bed waiting for him. was no longer shortly after 1 that.

There is much more to this story but there is only so much one paper can hold. However, all I wanted was to return money that was left in our joint account and make sure it got to him directly by giving it to Since, she also participated in slandering my name and my character without ever asking me a single question regarding what she had heard. I guess the term impartial does not apply to her.

I understand that I am not to have any contact with and I have complied with the order and I' m ok with it too. However, I simply to do not know how to go about giving his money, if I' m not allowed to give it to the Because, I don't think it is a great idea to give it to s team or his being that both parties had so many bad things to say about me and I simply do not trust them because of their previous slander of mv name and their treatment towards me. Also, I had no idea that I was not allowed to contact regarding money. So, who can a safely contact regarding s money?

Also, a completely false petition was filed on by his original case worker and the court date was on in the at and the prosecutor in the case dismissed the case because state law states you need two witnesses to verify the so-called bizarre behaviors and he was a threat to himself. One of staff members was unwilling regarding witnessing bizarre behaviors and the case was dismissed. However, the to lie on prosecutor in the case responded to then case manager "I'm not here to protect case managers". And the first thoughts the came to my mind after she made that statement was, "how do she know, he needed protecting"?