

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 18-045

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

The complainant alleged a superior court commissioner was biased against him, unprofessional, and improperly denied a motion to continue.

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: May 16, 2018

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ Margaret H. Downie

Margaret H. Downie  
Executive Director

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on May 16, 2018.

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

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**2018-045**

**COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Judge's 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.

On \_\_\_\_\_ I filed a motion to move the conference that I was scheduled for on \_\_\_\_\_. This was filed because my employment changed my schedule and I was scheduled to work that day. This was filed at about \_\_\_\_\_ that day. I heard nothing til \_\_\_\_\_ when I myself had to call several times to find out the ruling from the \_\_\_\_\_. My motion was denied very quickly and the Judges reasoning per his assistant were as follows

"There was not a valid reason" and that all they would tell me. In my motion I advised them of my schedule change and that I had not personal time off and or vacation time to cover this, as a result I ended up losing out on \_\_\_\_\_ for that day and was given a verbal warning for missing work time. In Arizona employers are only obligated to pay a employee if he/she were assigned jury duty, but any other missed time isnt covered and acceptable. I dont believe \_\_\_\_\_ was fair and partial to this.

My other Complaint is how he handled the hearing. From when he first came out with unkempt hair to his mannerisms he was not very professional. He seemed (and this is not a opinion, but from his wording actions and mannerisms) very one sided to the petitioner. He basically threw the case to her without hearing anything from me unless it was monetary talk in regards to the case. The petitioner in the case admitted in our conference two times that she recalls getting money(in regards to a money order that was form \_\_\_\_\_ but when brought up in front of the \_\_\_\_\_ they denied it. I brought up that she had admitted two times earlier in that day she had recieved it and he brushed it off. This is a contempt of court when lying to a judicial officer/judge. the whole time in the short hearing we had he was very onesided and this was made obvious. If he had been fair and 100% partial the outcome would've been different. even with the petitioner lying he should've caught that and addressed it instead of blowing it off.

Please consider my statement to be true and honest.

Thank You

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