State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 18-323

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged a superior court judge was biased against him and improperly dismissed a civil complaint.

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

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

Commission member Christopher P. Staring did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Dated: February 13, 2019

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 13, 2019.

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

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