State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 18-393

Judge:

Complainants:

ORDER

The complainants alleged that a justice of the peace had a conflict of interest in handling a protective order proceeding.

The role of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine whether a judicial officer has engaged in conduct that violates the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct or Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution. There must be clear and convincing evidence of such a violation in order for the Commission to take disciplinary action against a judicial officer.

The Commission reviewed all relevant available information and concluded there was not clear and convincing evidence of ethical misconduct in this matter. The Commission approved sending the judge an advisory letter reminding her of the requirements of Rule 2.11(A). The complaint is therefore dismissed pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Dated: May 14, 2019

FOR THE COMMISSION

<u>/s/ Louis Frank Dominguez</u> Hon. Louis Frank Dominguez Commission Chair

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on May 14, 2019.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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