

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 08-222

Complainant: No. 1343210757A

Judge: No. 1343210757B

ORDER

The commission reviewed the complaint filed in this matter and found no ethical misconduct on the part of the judge.

The complaint is dismissed pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23.

Dated: November 4, 2008.

FOR THE COMMISSION

 \ \ Keith Stott
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on November 4, 2008.

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

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Date: 8/20/08

Instructions: Describe in your own words what the judge did that you believe constitutes misconduct. Please provide all of the important names, dates, times and places related to your complaint. You can use this form or plain paper of the same size to explain your complaint, and you may attach additional pages. Do not write on the back of any page. You may attach copies of any documents you believe will help us understand your complaint.

According to the Az code of Judicial Conduct, Canon 3 states "A judge shall perform the duties of judicial office impartially & diligently." It also says "Judges must strive to maintain and enhance the public's confidence in our legal system. (4) A judge shall be "patient" dignified and "courteous" to litigants. A judge shall perform judicial duties without bias or prejudice including sex.

Officer was able to give his version of the incident without interruption from Judge. Officer made several statements of a personal nature.

I asked the Judge for permission to read what I wanted to say. While reading I was interrupted by the judge and told I was only allowed to comment on the insurance and speeding ticket. I was not allowed to talk about anything else of a personal nature. The judge was very impatient and discourteous with me. I have no confidence in our legal system because of this judge and I feel he was very biased regarding my sex. I'm a woman who was shaken by the incident and let my emotions show in court. I believe that is why the judge would not let me speak any further. The officer talked in a monotone which I could not do in this case.

(Attach additional sheets as needed)