

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 08-276

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Complainant: No. 1347710087A

Judge: No. 1347710087B

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**ORDER**

The commission reviewed the complaint filed in this matter and determined that there was no evidence of ethical misconduct on the part of the judge.

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

Dated: March 12, 2009

FOR THE COMMISSION

\s\ Keith Stott  
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed  
to the complainant and the judge  
on March 12, 2009

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

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**CJC - 08 - 276**

**COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE**

**Date:** 09/24/2008

Judge

I was called before

I was in court that day for a pre trial conference on a misdemeanor with no jail time being requested.

I made a motion to ask for an attorney to be appointed because I could not afford one. I wanted to explain to the judge that although I have a job I had recently had large sums of money embezzled from me. I was not able to make mortgage or utility payments and was overwhelmed with obligations.

The Judge yelled at me in the court in a loud offensive threatening tone. He stated "I hear you're giving my Clerks a hard time". I responded "I don't really think so". He then told me if he appointed me counsel he would throw me in jail and if was found guilty he would fine me \$5000.00 plus costs and I would be in jail for 6 months. I was frightened by the implications of going to jail for any reason. I am a single parent with 2 minor children.

My interpretation was that he would find me guilty as a foregone conclusion then carry out his threat just to prove he could. This seemed extremely inappropriate to me. The judge then asked me if I still wanted an attorney. I declined out of fear. Later that day, I contacted the court clerk to ask for a transcript of the court proceedings that day. I was told they could not locate any but to call back the following morning. I called again the next day and was told there is no recording of what went on in the court that day.

I would like to file a complaint and have the higher court investigate possible judicial misconduct.