State of Arizona COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

	Disposition of Complaint 09-282	
Complainant:	No.	1367210238A
Judge:	No.	1367210238B

ORDER

The commission reviewed the complaint filed in this matter and found no evidence of ethical misconduct on the part of the judge. The complainant, who is in prison, alleged that the judge failed to include him in hearings involving a dependency case and engaged in ex parte communications. Arizona law specifically provides that dependency hearings may be held with one parent only, and court rules permit a judge to consider ex parte communications when authorized by law to do so. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23.

Dated: February 5, 2010.

FOR THE COMMISSION

\s\ Keith Stott

Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on February 5, 2010.

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

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