

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 10-177

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Complainant: No. 0308110698A

Judge: No. 0308110698B

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**ORDER**

The judge self-reported an inadvertent violation of a campaign finance law that was immediately rectified. The commission decided to dismiss the complaint with a private comment reminding the judge of his obligation to comply with all applicable election laws and regulations, pursuant to Rule 4.2(A)(2). The complaint is dismissed pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Dated: August 26, 2010.

FOR THE COMMISSION

\s\ William Brammer

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J. William Brammer, Jr.  
Commission Chair

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on August 26, 2010.

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

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To: Mr. Kieth Stott, Executive Director, judicial Conduct Commission

From: Justice of the Peace, Hassayampa, Maricopa County

Subject: Self Report of campaign finance law violation

1. Early this year I retained the service of \_\_\_\_\_ to obtain nomination petition signatures. As Miles Keegan was running for Constable in the Hassayampa precinct, he decided to hire \_\_\_\_\_ as well.
2. About April 17 2010 Mr. Keegan and I learned of an incident that involving Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ that we determined would reflect unfavorably on us as candidates for office and we decided that it would be best to terminate our relationship with Ms. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. I spoke to Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ on the phone and asked her to meet Mr. Keegan and me at the Home Depot in Surprise so that we could pay her for the work that she had done thus far.
4. I arrived at the meeting location after work and visited with Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ and paid her for the signatures that she had obtained for me. At that time, I got a call from Mr. Keegan advising me that he was running late for our appointment .
5. I did not want to spend much more time in the company of someone I had just fired, nor did I want to delay her any more than necessary. I wrote her a check for Mr. Keegan's work from my campaign account.
6. Mr. Keegan arrived about 25 minutes later and wrote me a check for the same amount that I had paid Ms. \_\_\_\_\_.
7. While trying to figure out which forms to use to make the proper accounting in my campaign finance report, MS. Kristi Passarelli of the Maricopa County Elections Department advised me that this is a violation. On that basis, I am reporting this incident to the Judicial Conduct Commission.

Respectfully submitted

Justice of the Peace Hassayampa