# State of Arizona COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

### Disposition of Complaint 12-104

Complainant: Anonymous

Judge: Clancy Jayne

### ORDER

An anonymous complainant alerted the Commission on Judicial Conduct that Judge Clancy Jayne's personal website continued to improperly advertise wedding services, despite his previous discipline for that conduct. The complainant also alleged that the judge's website improperly listed corporate sponsors, including companies that provide services to the court, and invited improper ex parte communications.

After reviewing the allegations and the judge's response, the Commission finds that Judge Jayne violated the Code of Judicial Conduct, warranting an informal sanction. Specifically, despite a prior informal sanction for violating Rule 3.16(C) of the Code by advertising wedding services and clear direction that continued reference to an ongoing personal business could violate Rule 1.3, Judge Jayne failed to ensure that these issues on his website were resolved.

Accordingly, the judge is hereby reprimanded for his conduct described above pursuant to Commission Rule 17(a), and the record in this case, consisting of the complaint, the judge's response and this order, shall be made public as required by Rule 9(a). The Commission also orders that the judge obtain a mentor pursuant to Commission Rule 17(b) to specifically address concerns related to his personal website. This requirement reflects the Commission's concern that the judge lacks sufficient sensitivity for the Code of Judicial Conduct's direction on permissible activities, the appearance of impropriety, and his use of the internet.

The Commission dismissed the remaining allegations against the judge pursuant to Rule 16(b), with a private warning letter.

Dated: July 9, 2012,

FOR THE COMMISSION

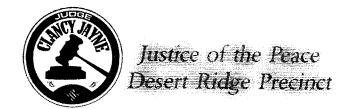
Louis Frank Dominguez Commission Chair

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on July 9, 2012.

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

### **Some Continued Problems**

- (1) Web page of Judge Clancy Janye, Desert Ridge JP, continues to advertise for wedding services. (See First Attachment).
- (2) Web page of Judge Jayne and/or his breakfast now has corporate sponsorship, one of which is a defensive driving school that he sends people to and another is a service that provides court ordered domestic violence and anger management counseling. (See Second Attachment).
- (3) Web page of Judge Jayne still asks for ex parte contact. (See Third Attachment).





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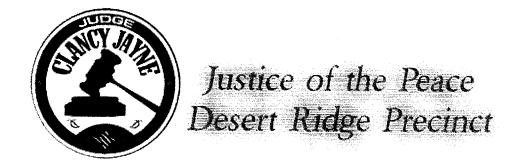
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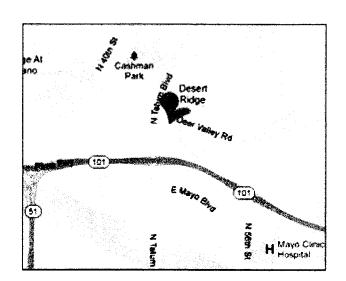
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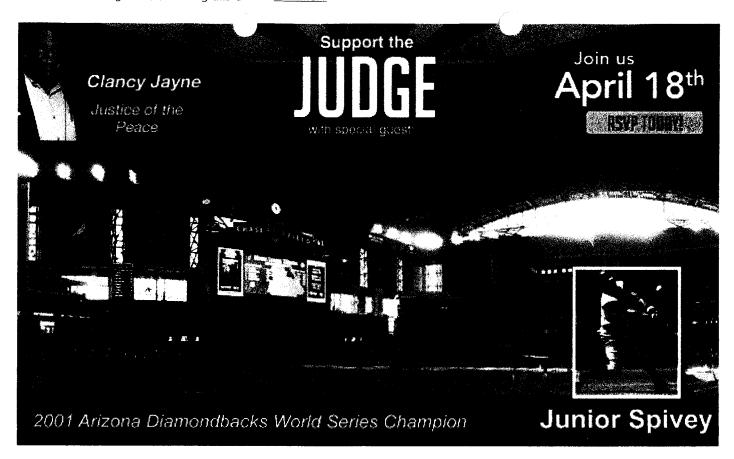


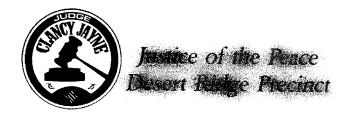
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### Contact the Judge!

Feel free to contact Judge Clancy Jayne by filling out the email form below

First Name:

Last Name:

Phone:

Email:

Comments:



Or you can contact Judge Clancy Jayne directly at:

Clancy Jayne P.O. Box 1991 Sun City, AZ 85372

Desert Ridge (Northeast Regional) Justice Court

18380 N. 40th Street Suite #130

Phoenix, AZ 85032

Telephone: 602-372-7100 Fax: 602-372-7912

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# CLANCY & KATHLEEN JAYNE

MAY 2 9 2012

May 27, 2012

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT 1501 W. Washington Street, Suite 229 Phoenix, AZ 85007

Subject: Notice of Complaint and Opportunity to Respond (Case No. 12-104)

Honorable Commissioners,

I am in receipt of your letter of May 8, 2012 and am taking this opportunity to respond to the concerns addressed in the anonymous complaint received.

1. After the last complaint, Case 09-035 and sanction, Case 11-155 I directed my website person again to delete this information and she said it had been done. I was completely shocked with the complaint showed up again as I was positive it had been removed. Included with this response is an email dated May 14, 2010 from AXXESS Unlimited verifying the requested changes were made. Also included is a chain of emails regarding changeover of service providers in February 2012 from then webmaster, Aimee Ludt to our current service, AXXESS Unlimited. It appears that during the changeover AXXESS Unlimited came across the wedding service drop-down and they were not aware that I had requested it be removed so they included it. I had no idea this had occurred and on accessing the website I didn't see anything on the Home page regarding weddings so assumed it wasn't there. Unfortunately my own ineptness in navigating my website caused me not to realize it had been added back on. I apologize for this oversight on my part. When I asked my wife to help me prepare this response she went on the website and immediately found "Wedding Services" contained in a drop-down box

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and she informed me that the information was still there. Our webmaster was sent an email requesting immediate removal and the wedding information is gone. A copy of the Home Page is included with this response and under "About Judge Jayne" you can see there is not a drop-down box for Wedding Services.

- 2. Case 11-155 With the changeover to my new website provider although the Commission's recommendation to remove this was noted, since the consulting business was closed in mid-2011 I did not realize it was still on my website. There was never a time when I was contacted about doing any business service by any person. It was simply meant to informational and never meant as a solicitation. A sentence was added on May 14, 2012 regarding the consulting business being closed down due to my busy court calendar. I no longer operate my Sole Proprietor business and hope this sentence clarifies that.
- 3. The changeover and changes to my personal website took place in February of 2012 (supporting emails included).
- 4. Regarding the Sponsors section, American Traffic Academy and CHC are no longer sponsors for the Breakfast with the Judge events. That change occurred in April, 2012. They have been removed from the website. It was my understanding that the "Hold Harmless" section at the bottom of our Breakfast With The Judge flyers stating

"This breakfast event is an independent, informational forum. It is not affiliated with any fundraising, partisan, or election committee and does not endorse any venue, sponsor, or speaker."

relieved me of any conflict of interest regarding their sponsorship. Please advise as soon as possible if this is not correct.

- a. These companies sponsor the Breakfast only. They do not pay me personally nor do they contribute to a designated campaign fund.
- b. There has not ever been a time when I or my staff referred

litigants to any of the businesses listed as sponsors. Justice Services and CHC have been providers in our Court since it was formed, along with many other providers. They do not and did not receive preferential treatment.

As noted in the packet of enclosures received with the Commission letter the flyer from the April 18, 2012 Jayne 2012 fundraiser was included. Although nothing was mentioned I'd like to clarify that this event had <u>no sponsors</u> and because of time constraint in getting the flyers printed a mistake was made in not removing sponsor names off the fundraiser flyer as this is the same format they use when doing the breakfast flyers. It was a complete oversight and again I apologize for this error. Also in paragraph 2) it states that I "send" people to American Traffic Academy. That is not true. First of all it is not a defensive driving school and secondly, litigants were never sent to or told to contact them. When they were a sponsor they gave out flyers and had a short video presentation that ran at the beginning of the breakfast. Lastly on the page **Contact the Judge!** there is a Sun City P.O. Box listed. This used to be an old mailing address. I do not have it any more. Included is a copy of an email requesting this address be deleted from the website.

I appreciate the opportunity to respond to this complaint and clarify the issues in question. There has never been a time since I was sworn in as Desert Ridge Justice of the Peace that I have knowingly acted in any manner that would bring into question my ethics or reflect negatively on the Bench or Desert Ridge Justice Court. If the investigative panel has any additional questions or concerns I would be happy to provide them with the information requested.

Respectfully,

Judge Clancy Jayne

Justice of the Peace, Desert Ridge Court

CJ:kj

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# **Business Owner**

Judge Clancy Jayne has been a small business owner for 30 plus years.

Raised in Mesa, he left home after graduating from Mesa High School an California where for 10 years, he lived in Costa Mesa and San Diego. W worked as a purchasing agent and then General Manager for an electiwarehouse company.

Upon returning to Arizona, Judge Jayne purchased and managed an elect for a number of years.

After selling his electrical business, he formed a consulting business private owners and the development community by utilizing best practice land through the annexation, zoning, and development process. As an e Jayne no longer performs consulting services in the community.

Judge Jayne also operated a financial services company that conducted financial institutions for over 20 years, but due to his busy court calen made to close it down in mid 2011.

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# Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com>

### Website

Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com>

Mon, May 28, 2012 at 7:11 PM

To: Alex Hernandez <alex@axxessunlimited.com> Bcc: Clancy Jayne <JudgeJayne@gmail.com>

Alex,

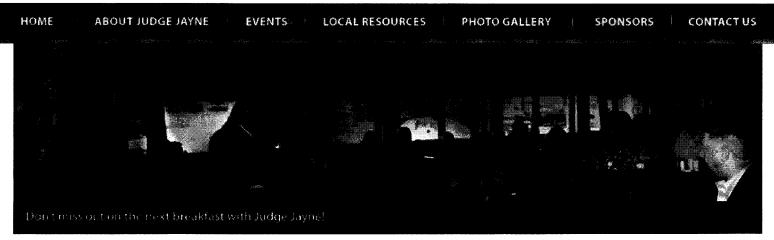
In looking at clancyjayne.com I found an additional change that needs to be made ASAP. On the "Contact the Judge!" page a P.O. Box in Sun City is listed as a contact address. I have not had that address for a long time so please delete it immediately.

I hope you had a fun and safe holiday weekend. Thanks for all you do.

Clancy









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### Welcome!

Judge Jayne was elected November 4th, 2008 as the first Justice of the Maricopa County Justice Courts. Judge Jayne servers at the pleasure of the Presiding Judge, Lester Pearce. That same year, the 86-member Arizona Justice of the Peace Association appointed Judge Jayne to be its legislative Committee Chairman for a year.





# Upcoming Events Breakfast With The

Breakfast With The Judge

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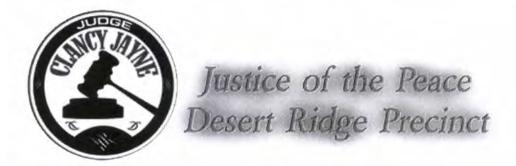
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During his many years of civic service, Judge Clancy Jayne has always strived to find the perfect balance of smart planning and economic growth while maintaining a high quality of livability for the citizens in the greater Phoenix area.

Judge Jayne was privileged to serve on the Deer Valley Village planning committee and chair the North Gateway Village committee for six years - during a time of exponential growth and development in the North Valley. At the same time, Judge Jayne also served on several school district committees for bond votes and unique district issues.







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Following that service, Maricopa County requested that Judge Jayne servithe Maricopa County Planning and Zoning Commission, a position he chair

In 2002, Judge Jayne was elected to the Arizona Legislature as a Sta Legislative District 6 (LD 6) where he served as Vice-Chair of Transpo Proposition 400 that extended the half-cent sales tax to fund highway additional 20 years. He was an elected Precinct Committeeman in LD 6, years, as well.

In November 2008, Judge Jayne was elected by the voters to be the ina Peace for the new Maricopa County Desert Ridge Justice Court. Judge January 5, 2009. The Desert Ridge Justice Court serves the North and No as well as Cave Creek, Carefree, New River and Desert Hills.

After less than two years on the bench, in 2010, Judge Jayne was honored fellow justices to be the Associate Presiding Judge of the Maricopa Count serves under the leadership of the Presiding Judge of the Maricopa Countester Pearce.



Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com>

# [Website ] Website Updates

1 message

Alex Hernandez <notifications@axxessunlimited.basecamphq.com>

Mon, May 14, 2012 at 6:01 PM

Reply-To: Website <U265269927CC6P62460493-

reply@axxessunlimited.basecamphq.com>

To: Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com>

Reply ABOVE THIS LINE to add a comment to this message

Project:

Website

Company: Western Justice Radio Show



Alex Hernandez posted a new message: **Website Updates** 

Judge Jayne,

I received your email with the changes to the site. We have completed everything you have requested as of today. Let me know if you have any questions.

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Thanks!

Alex Hernandez

This message was sent to Alex Hernandez, Chris Diaz, Clair Wyant, Clancy Jayne, Jodi Zimmermann, Laura Cardenas, Michael Roth, Patrick Ray, and Richard Gergely.

Stop receiving emails when comments are posted to this message. Prefer plain text emails?

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Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com>

Wed, May 16, 2012 at 3:39 PM

To: Aimee Ludt <aimeeludt@gmail.com>

Bcc: Kathleen Jayne <kjayne49@gmail.com>, Clancy Jayne <JudgeJayne@gmail.com>

Aimee.

Yes Thanks for this but is not what I ask for.

What I MUST have is why after you telling me the WEDDING SERVICE had been removed form the WEB SITE you constructed and I had been told by you been in fact removes was from all appearances re-installed to the active page.

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Here is the chain of emails I have in regards to transitioning content management for your site.

Aimee

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From: Aimee Ludt <aimeeludt@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Feb 10, 2012 at 5:47 PM Subject: Re: Web Page access

To: Alex Hernandez <alex@axxessunlimited.com>

I have nothing in my account/host. It was either in Jeff's or Clancy's therefore you'll have to access their goDaddy accounts.
Regards, Aimee
On Fri, Feb 10, 2012 at 5:33 PM, Alex Hernandez <alex@axxessunlimited.com> wrote:</alex@axxessunlimited.com>
Aimee,
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Thanks!
Alex Hernandez
VP Sales & Marketing
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	www.axxessunlimited.com
	From: Aimee Ludt [mailto:aimeeludt@gmail.com]
	Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 12:54 PM
	To: Alex Hernandez
	Cc: Clancy Jayne
	Subject: Re: Web Page access
	If it has changed, you'll need to go through Jeff Vath. He is a colleague of Clancy's
	and it was his account that they used to obtain the domain name.
	Regards,
	Aimee
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	wrote:
	Good morning Aimee,
	I received the Go Daddy login information for clancyjayne.com, however I am unable to login. Is this the most recent password?
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	Thanks!
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Alex Hernandez

**VP Sales & Marketing** 



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From: Aimee Ludt <aimeeludt@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Feb 8, 2012 at 6:06 AM

Subject: Re: Web Page access

To: Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com>

Hi Clancy,

We are settled up fine, but thank you for checking in.

As for keeping "current" I imagine any changes to logins/pw/content will be managed by Alex for you.

The only other details I have for you is the "hosting" information through goDaddy. As long as you pay those renewals, the domain names remain yours.

They were created with the following goDaddy accounts:

Clancyjayne.com
clancyjaynebreakfast.com
Best of luck as you transition and prepare for the next election season!!
Aimee
On Tue. Feb 7. 2012 at 8:37 AM. Clancy Javne <iudgeiavne@gmail.com> wrote:</iudgeiavne@gmail.com>

Aimee,

As we make this transition I want to be sure we are clear and if I owe you and money please send a invoice.

Also ownership of the names?

What do I have to do to keep this all current? Hope all is well in PA.?

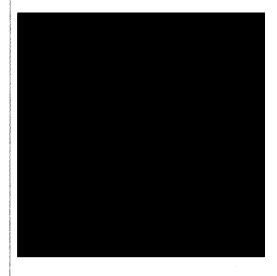
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On Tue, Feb 7, 2012 at 6:09 AM, Aimee Ludt <aimeeludt@gmail.com> wrote:

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### Clacyjayne.com



### Clacyjaynebreakfast.com



Regards,

Aimee

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On Tue, Feb 7, 2012 at 2:59 AM, Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com> wrote: Aimee.

Alex Hernandez is going to be working to improve our Web Site presence so he needs full access to our site.

Will you please send him what he needs and copy me?

We are blending our "Breakfast with the Judge" our Clancy Jayne.com Web Site and another project "Western Justice" along with our election effort for Jayne 2012.

So please ASAP get this information to Alex.

Clancy

Aimee Ludt <aimeeludt@gmail.com>

To: Clancy Jayne <judgejayne@gmail.com>

Wed, May 16, 2012 at 4:18 PM

# Clancy,

I did not reactivate-install the Wedding Services. The content was unpublished within the content management service and as you indicated in your review of that change, it was no longer on the site. I apologize if I am missing the piece that caused confusion. Did you see it reappear on the site before it transitioned over to the new servers?

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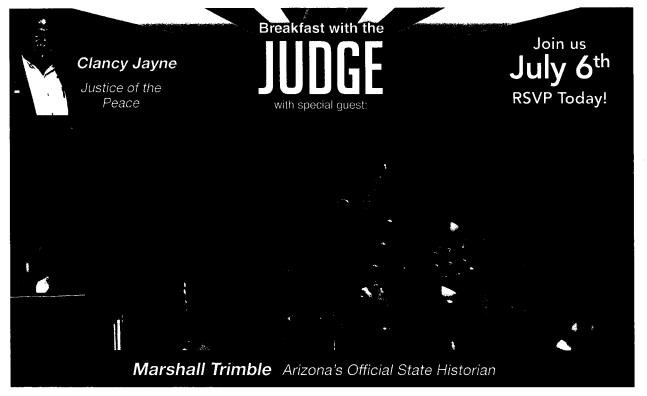
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# **Breakfast With The Judge!**

Judge Clancy Jayne invites you to join him for breakfast featuring very special guests:

# **Marshall Trimble**

Arizona's Official State Historian

### When:

Friday, July 6, 2012 7:00AM

### Where:

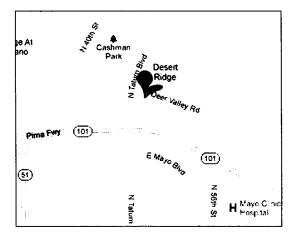
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### Cost:

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### Contact:

Email cjbreakfast@gmail.com Call 623-492-9976



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