

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 14-116

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged that a justice of the peace was rude and prejudiced against men, has an improper relationship with a local organization, and discriminated against him.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the judge engaged in conduct that violated the provisions of Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution or the Code of Judicial Conduct and, if so, to take appropriate disciplinary action. The purpose and authority of the commission is limited to this mission.

After review, the commission found no evidence of ethical misconduct and concluded that the judge did not violate the Code in this case. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety, pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23.

Dated: June 5, 2014.

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George A. Riemer

George A. Riemer
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on June 5, 2014.

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

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: _____ Judge's Name: _____

Instructions: Use this form or plain paper of the same size to file a complaint. Describe in your own words what you believe the judge did that you believe constitutes judicial misconduct. Be specific and list all of the names, dates, times, and places that will help the commission understand your concerns. Additional pages may be attached along with copies (not originals) of relevant court documents. Please complete one side of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaint for your records.

See attached

To: Arizona Commission on Judicial Ethics

From:

Subject: Judicial Complaint Against Judge

Court

Date:

Please consider this letter is my formal complaint against Judge in the Court. Judge has had a long history of confirmed ethics violations and warning letters going back to up to this day. This letter is another complaint in a very long history of ethics issue for Judge which needs to be thoroughly investigated to restore public confidence in the Court. This letter has three main issues that your commission needs to address concerning Judge in the Court.

On , I attended a hearing in the Court in regards to my Rule 32 hearing as a result of the domestic violence industry the court is involved with along with Council. (Exhibit 1) I arrived early as my attorney (phone) had informed me to do by mail and in person. I arrived about an hour early and went inside court chambers to wait for my hearing to take place. My Judicial Officer is , a Judge . Since I arrived early cases were still being heard by Judge and her court ran over.

First issue, as I sat in her court, in the Defendant's section, I began to feel very uncomfortable. Judge was rude, demeaning and very anti male. On two occasions she stopped hearing a case when she noticed two males not removing their hats fast enough and they were scorned harshly for being too slow in showing her and the court "proper respect". Her attention was not on the cases being brought in front of her but on forcing men to obey her rules. Men who had cases in her court were in fear of not having a fair trial because of her anti-male attitude, verbal harshness and actions while in court. Judge violated the **Judicial Rule, 1.2(1) and (3), Rule 2.3(B)**.

Second issue this complaint tries to address is Judge association with the Council. This business and personal relationship lasted for nearly years while she was the sitting judge in the Court. (Exhibit 1) While in court overhearing these cases, Judge ordered men to attend her own domestic violence and behavioral health organization. However, Judge did not disclose her personal and professional interest in this organization. In a prior judicial complaint, I outlined how Judge was the

Board President for Council and earned funding for this organization through convictions in her court. On the County web site Judge still claims to be the Board President for this organization. However, on this organization's web site, Judge is no longer the Board President. Nevertheless, Judge is listed as a "Director" for the Council as listed in the Arizona (Exhibit 2) and may make a salary, or significant financial interest in every domestic violence conviction in her court. Judge is in clear violation of the Arizona Rules of Judicial Conduct. **Rule 1.2(3), Rule 1.3(1), Rule 2.1(1), Rule 2.2, Rule 2.3(A and B) Rule 2.4(B and C)**

The third and last issue of this letter attempts to address is the open discrimination Judge directed at me on while waiting for my hearing. When my attorney showed in court several minutes before the hearing, Judge called Mr. and County Attorney to her bench. Shortly thereafter, my attorney (Mr.) told me to wait outside the court chambers. My attorney walked me out of the court and we both sat outside while Judge finished hearing her cases before Judge appeared to hear mine. When I asked Mr. why I could not sit in the court chambers, he informed me, "Judge does not want you in her court. She does not like you much." Judge has no authority to force me out of a public hearing but she used her power and authority to do so. Her actions may also highlight the reason for my false conviction when I was the real victim of domestic violence. (Exhibit 3 and 4) Men, (myself included) need to have real justice in the Court and not an automatic conviction destroying their good name. **Rule 1.2, Rule 2.2, Rule 2.3, (A, B and C)**

I would hope the Arizona Commission of Judicial Ethics would begin to restore the confidence of the citizens of County have when it comes to the Court. Judge has trampled upon the rights of men in her court for the last years since she has been associated with the Council. The state of Arizona needs to put a stop to the multiple ethics violations coming from Judge and finally remove her from the bench as this commission should have done in case

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr.
Director,

Statewide Coordinator,