

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 14-277

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

The complainant alleged a juvenile court judge violated her rights in a dependency proceeding by failing to provide her a fair opportunity to be heard.

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.

The commission does not have jurisdiction to review the legal sufficiency of the judge's rulings. In addition, 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: October 8, 2014

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George A. Riemer

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George A. Riemer  
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on October 8, 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.

On \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ petition was filed regarding my daughters \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. When this case first started, I strenuously pleaded for the courts and C.P.S. not to place my children with their father due to his and his girlfriends backgrounds of physical abuse, domestic violence, and drugs. I served both the father and girl friend \_\_\_\_\_ restraining orders to protect my children. The Judge Honorable \_\_\_\_\_ knew restraining orders were served and still active but said restraining orders needed to stop. I have wrote letters to Judge \_\_\_\_\_ and my attorney \_\_\_\_\_ at the time asking them both to allow me to speak on my behalf at the time the \_\_\_\_\_ case was open. I do have lots of documentation of everything. I also sent a letter notorized and sent Certified on \_\_\_\_\_ A copie is inlosed. On \_\_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_\_ went to see my \_\_\_\_\_ III by the name of officer \_\_\_\_\_, for my telephonic court hearing that was secheduled to be at \_\_\_\_\_. The courts call back saying they need twenty more minutes and that they will call us back, meaning Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. go by so finally Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ calls the courts asking whats taking so long. The courts say they have tried calling (but we don't know if this is true) and that they decided to close the case without me being present when I asked to be present.

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I also filed an appeals notice as soon as I found out the case was closed. I feel Judge \_\_\_\_\_ totally shut me out due to me being incarcerated. Also the \_\_\_\_\_ is open again due to the father \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ physically abusing my daughters \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ On \_\_\_\_\_ my children were removed from \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ police officer \_\_\_\_\_ They were also very sick, malnourished with many other things. When this case first started "I" was looking at the best interest of my children and it was not with their father. It was never about me having any animosity towards another parent, therefore I feel threatened because of this statement \_\_\_\_\_ made. I was only trying to protect my children. Transcripts of proceedings are also enclosed. Also in this transcript the Judge \_\_\_\_\_ asks ms \_\_\_\_\_ caseworker what has she done to monitor the case, not once but \_\_\_\_\_ Ms \_\_\_\_\_ did not answer the Judges question like she should have. Why did the Judge dismiss this statement? Child protective Services (cps) who is now Child Safety and family Services also removed the children without court order back in \_\_\_\_\_ and placed the children with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_