

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 15-001

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged she was threatened in open court by another witness in a custody proceeding and a superior court commissioner failed to take any action on the threat.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the commissioner 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 commissioner did not violate the Code in this case. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety, pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23.

Dated: February 11, 2015

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George A. Riemer

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Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the commissioner on February 11, 2015.

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 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.

I was on the stand giving my testimony and a previous witness for the opposing parties
decided that she was going to threaten me in open court. I turned and look at the

_____ and advised her. She asked my lawyer if he had
seen the witness that was now in the audience threaten me. He advised he did not
I advised her to review in her chambers before we continued, she denied my plea.

My lawyer and I also advised that the witness that was testifying who also threatened
me has an active order of protection against her at this time from harassing me.

I pleaded with _____ to review what had just happened,
she refused and did not care. I have obtained a copy of that hearing via video from
the records department and it clearly shows the woman threatening me. I also have
a court appointed advisor who reviewed the video and confirms that yes that woman
had threatened me in open court!

I feel as if this _____ did not care about the proceedings
and my over all safety.

Hearing date was _____ in _____ court building

