

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 15-070

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

The complainant alleged a justice of the peace abused the prestige of judicial office and failed to promote confidence in the judiciary.

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. The commission approved sending the judge a warning letter urging him to take proposed court policies up with the other judges in his consolidated court. If they are approved by a majority of the judges, they can then be distributed for comment externally or otherwise implemented by the court.. The complaint is dismissed pursuant to Rules 16(b) and 23(a).

Dated: June 25, 2015

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ Louis Frank Dominguez  
Hon. Louis Frank Dominguez  
Commission Chair

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on June 25, 2015.

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

The Honorable Louis Frank Dominguez, Chair  
Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct  
1501 West Washington, Suite 229  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re:

Dear Judge Dominguez and Members of the Commission:

I am writing to advise you of a possible violation of the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct by \_\_\_\_\_ On \_\_\_\_\_ prepared a proposed " \_\_\_\_\_ " which \_\_\_\_\_ sent to all fellow \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ and to me as the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ County. In the email sending the " \_\_\_\_\_ " to us, \_\_\_\_\_ indicated that \_\_\_\_\_ would send it to " \_\_\_\_\_ ", indicating \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ also sent the communication to the \_\_\_\_\_ ). Copies of the proposed \_\_\_\_\_ and the email are enclosed. \_\_\_\_\_ and to the \_\_\_\_\_ Court

This morning I learned that \_\_\_\_\_ had, in fact, contacted at least one of the \_\_\_\_\_ and a few \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ who received the information viewed the \_\_\_\_\_ as bullying and threatening. I have been advised that some of the \_\_\_\_\_ have also expressed concerns about receiving the communication from \_\_\_\_\_

I am concerned that this communication from \_\_\_\_\_ to persons other than fellow \_\_\_\_\_, to me and to the \_\_\_\_\_ violates Rules 1.2 and 1.3 of the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct. I believe that I have this duty under Rules 2.12 (as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the County) and 2.15 of the Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information from me.

Very truly yours,

Attachments: Email dated \_\_\_\_\_ (from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ )  
Proposed Resolution prepared by \_\_\_\_\_