

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 16-101

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged a superior court judge denied him an opportunity to be heard and engaged in improper courtroom demeanor.

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(a).

Dated: May 25, 2016

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 May 25, 2016.

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

I understand the commission cannot reverse court orders or assign a new judge to a case.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing information and the facts I have provided upon which my allegations of judicial misconduct are based are true and correct.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Use the following space or plain paper of the same size to explain your complaint. Explain why you believe what the judge did constitutes judicial misconduct. Be specific and list the names, dates, times, and places relevant to your allegations. Additional pages may be used and relevant copies of documents may be sent with your complaint (please do not send original documents). Use one side of each page only and write legibly or type your complaint. Please keep a copy of your complaint for your records.

On _____ at approximately _____ hours, I was involved in a court hearing with _____ It was pertaining to the _____ . After the Judge interviewed her we continued on. I brought up the fact that I am on mandatory overtime with my company and unable to drive the distance to _____ I instead offered to fly my daughter from either _____ and that her mother could purchase her return ticket home. I attempted to explain that it would be faster and much more efficient to fly her instead of a _____ drive day for either parent. The judge decided that _____ would come out from _____ If I flew her, that I would have to purchase a roundtrip ticket. It is in the agreement that custodial exchange is 50/50. I was forced to restate my earlier when I told the Judge that I could not afford to drive due to the work and financial factors. I was then told by the judge that I am out of line and I was clearly explaining that the judge was tying my hands in stating that I would have to pay the round trip ticket. I had already done some checking and found that I could fly my daughter out one way for between _____ fare was with a friend that has miles and could purchase at discounted for said trip and I was not given the chance to explain that either as the judge abruptly adjourned court session and would not allow me to state things I still needed to have heard.