

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 16-335

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged an appellate court judge had a conflict of interest in hearing two of his cases.

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).

Commission members Margaret H. Downie and Peter J. Eckerstrom did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Dated: January 31, 2017

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 January 31, 2017.

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

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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Judge _____ violated A.A.S 38-(503-505)
"Conflict of Interest" by "affirming" an
appeal for _____ while
also being an _____ of
_____ Appeal case #
_____ trial case _____

- Oral arguments were denied.
- A Trial was not granted.
- Due Process violations.
- Class 6 "known" conflict of Interest.

• _____ class 6 felony.
• _____
• _____
• _____ Appeal

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• Judge _____ violated A.R.S 38-503

for taking & declining appeal -

• Judge _____ had previous knowledge

of the defendant because of other
on-going appeals by me -

• Judge _____ performed a service

to decline my appeal to enrich
himself and avoid accountability

by his employer

• Case # _____