

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 17-123

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged a justice of the peace (now retired) improperly issued warrants for his arrest, did not discharge his administrative responsibilities without bias or prejudice, did not appropriately supervise other judges, did not maintain professional competence, and had been swayed by partisan interest, public clamor, and fear of criticism..

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 member Margaret H. Downie did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Dated: June 29, 2017

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George A. Riemer

George A. Riemer
Executive Director

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on June 29, 2017.

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

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Your Name:

Judge's Name:

Date:

Instructions: Describe in your own words what the judge did that you believe constitutes misconduct. Please provide all of the important names, dates, times, and places related to your complaint. You can use this form or plain paper of the same size to explain your complaint, and you may attach additional pages. Do not write on the back of any page. You may attach copies of any documents you believe will help us understand your complaint.

on _____ A warrant was placed on me
 out of _____ for an incident that took
 place on _____ . However I was in the custody
 of _____ so on my disposition
 date of _____ the court claims they seen
 me at court in _____ court, but I
 never seen ~~any~~ court _____
 But ~~at~~ my Judge was _____
 at _____ court. Here I took a plea
 for _____ years in prison
 after arrest on _____ . My charges
 were out of _____ . I never
 went to court there for the drive w/ license
 suspended / Revoked / cancelled; _____ also
 on _____ and prudent (Accident)
 I was in custody so I could
 not have been in accident at time.
 Officer: _____ cited
 me on _____ . I was
 they said I had warrants for not
 appearing at court in _____ . I seen
 Judge _____ for an incident out
 of _____ They claimed in

(Attach additional sheets as needed.)

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I got a ticket thier that judge accused me of the crime. But this Ticket was for Courts. Not Court. I have recieved papers from Court that judge did issue a Warrant out of for jail in ... released me from custody in in stead of taking me to court in Warrants were placed in for Judge at me served. However seen me court and gave me probation and time served.

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Also I seen Judge
also at
Court for probation
time served for a
Incident were
I got picked up for Warrants out
of
were I seen Judge
in

Court. Then arrived ~~at~~ Later
on. In the Canon
of Code of Judicial Conduct
under Terminology of Appropriate
Authority see §§ 3D(1) and 3D(2)
Disciplinary Responsibilities (1) A judge
who has knowledge that another judge
has committed a violation of this code
shall take or initiate appropriate action.
Above is in Canon 3. D.(1) Also
Canon 3 C. Administrative Responsibilities
(1) A judge shall diligently discharge
the judge's administrative responsibil-
ities without bias or prejudice
and maintain professional competence

in judicial administration, and should cooperate with other judges and court officials in the administration of court business.

(3) A Judge with supervisory responsibility for the judicial performance of other judges shall take reasonable measures to assure the prompt disposition of matters before them and proper performance of their other judicial responsibilities.

Based on a decision to take responsibility in his court for issues out of

and his jurisdiction so should have vacated the hearings and to be seen in

court and court. Instead of in his court in

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Also under Canon 3 (2)
A judge shall be faithful to the
law and maintain professional
competence in it. A judge shall
not be swayed by partisan interest,
public clamor or fear of criticism.