

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 18-056

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

The complainant alleged a superior court judge did not afford her an opportunity to be heard, treated her unfairly, and called her by the wrong name.

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 Peter J. Eckerstrom did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Dated: April 19, 2018

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ Margaret H. Downie

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Margaret H. Downie

Executive Director

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 19, 2018.

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

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2018-056

**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.

On \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ I was not given fair treatment by \_\_\_\_\_. He did not let me speak my side of the story and is not the judge he portrayed to be from the first experience I had with him. First issue was saying my ex \_\_\_\_\_ had to do all his parenting classes by the next court date or he'd have negative consequences, which \_\_\_\_\_ failed to do so and no negative consequences were put into place. Second, the parenting time was supposed to be a trial run, and was supposed to be put into play to see how things go until the second court date to review and change things if need be. I never got to address my issues of the parenting time like \_\_\_\_\_ said we were going to do on the second court date. I had no chance to fully state my case, I kept getting bulldozed over, and the judge kept changing the subject when it was my turn to speak. I had evidence to give and he would not let me submit it or even give me a chance to fully explain what my evidence was about. It went further than his assumption of the few verbal discrepancies I was having with \_\_\_\_\_ about parenting time. \_\_\_\_\_ seemed to have his mind made up about what was going on in my case before letting me get my side out. I feel this was unfair treatment, I feel like I am not receiving the same opportunity to state my case and be heard like \_\_\_\_\_ has had. Thirdly The first appearance with \_\_\_\_\_ also made sure to call me by my Maiden last name, \_\_\_\_\_ appeared to be genuine and he made it a point to call me \_\_\_\_\_ out of respect, but this second court hearing amongst all this of being bulldozed over, not given the chance to fully explain my side of the story he's calling me \_\_\_\_\_ again. I find this very disrespectful and also shows how impersonal he really is in regards to my case. I left court feeling hopeless and helpless, not being given the chance to state my case and the feeling of failure in the court system.