

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 19-141

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

August 21, 2019

An anonymous complainant alleged a superior court commissioner made improper rulings in a guardianship proceeding.

The role of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine whether a judicial officer has engaged in conduct that violates the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct or Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution. There must be clear and convincing evidence of such a violation in order for the Commission to take disciplinary action against a judicial officer.

The Commission does not have jurisdiction to overturn, amend, or remand a judicial officer's legal rulings. The Commission reviewed all relevant available information and concluded there was not clear and convincing evidence of ethical misconduct in this matter. The complaint is therefore dismissed pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on August 21, 2019.

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**2019-141**

**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.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ granted legal guardianship of incapacitated adult, \_\_\_\_\_ to his adopted mother, \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_. This is very concerning.

\_\_\_\_\_ lived with his adoptive mother, \_\_\_\_\_ until he was \_\_\_\_\_. He was placed in a group home and \_\_\_\_\_ rights were severed. He was in a group home until \_\_\_\_\_ when Aunt stated she could take care of him. She received limited guardianship as that time as well. It was found out that \_\_\_\_\_ was actually living with his adoptive mother, \_\_\_\_\_ He was removed from home and placed in a group home in \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ was under guardianship of the \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ since \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ went to live with \_\_\_\_\_ in her home in \_\_\_\_\_. Since that time, \_\_\_\_\_ has been a barrier to care for \_\_\_\_\_. She will argue with others and not listen to professional recommendations. She will order things for him that are paid by his insurance and then state that is not what she wanted and refuse to take them. She calls others liars and never takes any blame for her actions.

There have been multiple \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ reports because \_\_\_\_\_ is unable to provide \_\_\_\_\_ with the care he needs. She might love \_\_\_\_\_ but physically cannot care for him. \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ years old and needs total care and assistance. \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ years old. The woman who lives with \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ years old and the women's daughter is around \_\_\_\_\_ ago but does not assist.

We are questioning how guardianship could ever be awarded to \_\_\_\_\_. She makes every situation about herself and she lies about things. We believe that \_\_\_\_\_ is not receiving the care he needs.

Please look into this further.