

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 19-174

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

September 17, 2019

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge was biased against him and should have disqualified from the case due to a familial relationship.

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).

Commission members Roger D. Barton and Colleen E. Concannon did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on September 17, 2019.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: _____ Judge's Name: _____

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From the beginning, the very first court case, Judge was biased towards me because I didn't have a lawyer. The Petitioner, always had the benefit of the doubt it seemed that she was able to say what she wanted and didn't need any proof for anything but I always had the lower hand and had to come up with proof for everything and if I didn't have proof then everything I said was wrong. It seemed this case was not a fair trial and went beyond just a custody battle. It has also come to my attention that Judge is married to a member of my ~~my~~ family.

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