

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 19-190

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

September 25, 2019

The Complainant alleged a small claims hearing officer engaged in improper demeanor.

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 member George H. Foster, Jr. did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on September 25, 2019.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: _____ Judge's Name: _____

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When Judge _____ decided in favor of the plaintiff he was reading the amount that I owed the plaintiff. I actually owed her \$ _____ and Judge _____ said \$ _____ I spoke up and tried to correct him and he screamed at me that "_____" . When he realized he was wrong, he tried to _____ about not being able to add in his head but never did apologize. The way he spoke to me was completely out of line and deserved an apology, as he was the one in the wrong.

I also paid to file a counter complaint to what was filed against me and Judge _____ clearly didn't bother reading it or researching the case that was being brought in front of him. Waste of money and time. I have ZERO faith in the court system and hopefully I never see the inside of a courtroom again in my life and certainly never in front of a "_____" ' like

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