

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 19-347

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

February 5, 2020

The Complainant alleged a pro tem municipal court judge set an excessive bail amount.

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 Commission Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Commission member Denise K. Aguilar did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 5, 2020.

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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 delegated a extremely high bail amount (\$) against Defendant for misdemeanor charges (1 of which he was on OR and scheduled to be heard in court in 3 Days) in a blatant attempt to deny Defendant due process rights afforded Defendant (reasonable bail and access to Ha beaus Corpus provisions against excessive sentencing for retaliation. Judge made a statement before informing defendant of bail amount (This is what happens when you don't do what we tell you to do) Defendant felt he was treated like a slave being sentenced by the Slave master for not acting like a slave. Defendant also feels that this Judge colluded with OOP Judges on the (namely in denying Defendant of his rights guaranteed under the Constitution.