

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 20-168

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

November 10, 2020

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge modified a protective order without affording him an opportunity to be heard.

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 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).

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on November 10, 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.

The Honorable _____ violated my Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment right to due process by holding a hearing regarding an amendment to an order of protection without notifying me. This hearing was held on _____ after a hearing was held on _____ I was neither notified of the hearing, nor was I allowed to be present during the hearing.