

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 20-201

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

January 27, 2021

The Complainant alleged a superior court commissioner had a conflict of interest on his criminal cases.

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 members Denise K. Aguilar, Colleen E. Concannon and Louis Frank Dominguez did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on January 27, 2021.

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2020-201

to whom it may concern

Hello my name is

I was recently

sentenced to \_\_\_\_\_ by a Judge that served  
as my defense attorney in some cases prior  
in private practice. I was unaware of the term  
conflict of interest until just recently. I brought  
it to my lawyer's attention ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) and he  
said don't worry about it it doesn't matter. This  
affected me in the sense that, prosecution offered  
me \_\_\_\_\_ deals this time / being re-enrollment  
to probation or up to \_\_\_\_\_ position of  
\_\_\_\_\_ stipulated, ~~and~~ at probation sentencing  
prior Mr. Cyles made a comment that "

"which discouraged me  
from selecting the re-enrollment or up to \_\_\_\_\_  
This comment may or may not have derived  
from his opinion of me after association as a  
defendant. On the case that he sentenced me  
to probation and made that comment  
victims were present both submitted refusal to  
prosecute forms but insisted on prosecution.  
and with fear the might subpoena my parents  
to court as they are old and disabled I accepted  
punishment. I wrote the court about this issue  
in hopes they would re-try or pardon me.  
himself replied "

"The Practices of this court  
are not fair and I believe completely inconsiderate  
of me, defendants ect. I dont feel like I was  
treated fairly and feel like some type of  
prejudice took place. Also I just received word  
my dad has to live and my sentence  
out lives this time frame. If there is anything to  
be done so I can see him please inform  
me. I believe some type of action should be  
taken here and this clear conflict of interest  
should not be ignored as the person in  
question is promising. Regardless of the  
plea bargain strategy or stipulated sentence  
or course ... did in a sense have  
discretion, he could ~~or~~ throw the plea out  
and sentenced me to more or less time as  
he does have that power. I dont believe his  
interest held no prejudice ect please send  
council to talk to me about this as  
council is ignoring me Thank you