

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 21-309

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

May 18, 2022

The Complainant alleged that a superior court judge did not properly provide her with an interpreter.

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).

Commission members Denise K. Aguilar and Delia R. Neal did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on May 18, 2022.

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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.

I was taken to a small courtroom, I told the jail officer that I needed an interpreter and emphasized that I needed one. I stood before Judge _____ He responded by (which I assume said) "through the zoom type of conference on a t.v. screen that is approx 20 feet. I am far sighted making it twice more difficult to communicate without an interpreter. The bailiff served me a bail document, having no idea or understood what I was being given.