State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 21-428

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

June 24, 2022

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge improperly denied various motions he had filed in his criminal cases and acted without authority notwithstanding his pending motion for change of judge for cause.

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 Christopher W. Ames and Colleen E. Concannon did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on June 24, 2022.

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