State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 21-435

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

August 10, 2022

The Complainant alleged a justice of the peace coerced him to accept a plea agreement.

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 Roger D. Barton, Joseph C. Kreamer, and Christopher P. Staring did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

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

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when Judge allowed the coercien to go on. brought it to Judge After me attention of me wanting New Counsel and him stating he had no "Jurisdiction," and , setting the plea out to 2 and a half hours before he pulls the plea offer Judge ask of I wanted to proceed with Mr.as my "Attorney" to sign the plea offer that wern't even written up nor discussed besides of how many years I would be in prison. Judge stated if he had Jurisdiction to shange my causelor it still wouldn't be enough time for a lawyer to make it down to the County Jail in for me to sign the plear So once I stated "No" I Do Not want to preced with as my counselor he allowed the plea to be pulled by even though he claimed he had "No Jurisdiction. If you need prost of this incident refer to the (Audio, Video, minute entry and the word for word transcripts.) That's also for the court date. I asked Judge about him not having Jurisdiction on my court docte. He stated that " it was because he So I guess it's ok to further make someone's life worst by allowing more time to be applied by going into trail dates, all because he felt as if he didn't want to do his job as a Judge who was sworn in under oath to Judge fairly, equally to all races,

etnicities to help keep the peace. I'm no lawyer but all of his actions including and stemed illegal. They all played a major roll in coercion to try and forcely along with pressuring me into signing a plea that wasn't even written. The Legal Defender's office did this same thing to me back in when. I was sentenced to prison but had signed a "Ghost Plea" deal. I was told that I was signing for 1.5 years in prison by the when when when has the time. Instead of 1.5 years prison by the in prison I recieved 25 years in prison. Being that I was prensent in front of 2 different Judge's; Judge who I stated what I was told I had signed for never made any correction to what I stated and him stating ok I figured my plea was correct. But when I went before Judge I recieved 2.5 years in prison. I also got 2 different lawyers and the lawyer that told I was signing for 2.5 ended up disappearing a few days before I get the seatenced. So it is my belief that has been a part of coerking people to sign pleas for a long time now, along with Judges and prosecutor's. Case numbers for are as follows those are all the cases I recieved my "Ghost Plen" # on.