

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 22-031

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

October 20, 2022

The Complainant alleged a superior court commissioner was rude and unprofessional toward him during a family court hearing.

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 Colleen E. Concannon and J. Tyrrell Taber did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on October 20, 2022.

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**2022-031**

**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 REPRESENTING MYSELF IN A FAMILY COURT CASE, THE JUDGE WAS VERY RUDE, MEAN AND DISRESPECTFUL TOWARD ME. I AM NOT SURE IF SHE HAS A PROBLEM WITH MEN IN GENERAL OR JUST TOWARDS ME BECAUSE I WAS REPRESENTING MYSELF.

SHE YELLED AND RAISED HER VOICE AT ME SEVERAL TIMES WHEN I DID NOT HAVE THE EXHIBITS ORGANIZED AS SHE WANTED THEM.

SHE YELLED AND RAISED HER VOICE AT ME IF I HAD AN OBJECTION TO SOMETHING THE OTHER ATTORNEY WAS TRYING TO ADMIT INTO EVIDENCE.

SHE WOULD YELL AND RAISE HER VOICE AT ME WHEN I HAD A QUESTION.

SHE WOULD INTERRUPT ME WHEN I WAS TESTIFYING AND RAISE HER VOICE AND MAKE RUDE COMMENTS.

AT THE END WHEN I WAS GIVING MY CLOSING ARGUMENTS - AGAIN SHE FELT IT NECESSARY TO INTERRUPT ME AND CHASTISE AND BERATE ME FOR WHAT I WAS TRYING TO TELL HER.

SHE EVEN STATED THAT SHE IS NEW TO \_\_\_\_\_ SHOULD NOT BE A JUDGE - SHE IS HARSH, RUDE, AND COMPLETELY UNPROFESSIONAL. I FEEL SORRY FOR ANY MAN OR WOMAN WHO ENTERS HER COURT ROOM REPRESENTING HIMSELF.

I LOOKED UP THE QUALITIES OF A GOOD JUDGE: JUDGE \_\_\_\_\_ LACKS ALMOST ALL OF THESE QUALITIES WHEN I WAS IN HER COURTROOM.

**Judicial Temperament:** This character trait encompasses both the ability to apply the law to the facts and to understand how a judicial decision will affect the human beings appearing before the court. It is the ability to communicate with counsel, jurors, witnesses and parties calmly and courteously. Aspects of proper judicial temperament - Patience, open-mindedness, courtesy, tact, understanding, compassion, humility and common sense.

THE COURT DATE WAS \_\_\_\_\_ AND ENDED AT ABOUT \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE REFER TO THE AUDIO TAPE OF THE HEARING TO CONFIRM THE WAY SHE TALKED TO AND TREATED ME.

THE COURTS NEED TO BE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL - EVEN TO THOSE WHO CAN NOT AFFORD AN ATTORNEY. ALL SHOULD BE TREATED WITH RESPECT BY THE JUDGE.

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DUE TO JUDGE ANGER TOWARDS ME AND HER YELLING AT ME - I WAS NOT ABLE TO GET ALL OF THE EVIDENCE SUBMITTED INTO EVIDENCE. SHE BASICALLY BULLIED ME BY THE WAY SHE TREATED ME NOT TO SPEAK. IT SEEMED EVERYTIME I WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING SHE WOULD YELL AND BERATE ME AND NOT LET ME FINISH. IF AFTER SHE SAID SOMETHING, I WANTED TO CLARIFY - SHE WOULD YELL AT ME NOT TO OVER TALK HER. HOURS LATER WHEN I REFLECT BACK ON THE HEARING - I SURE HOPE SOMEONE LOOKS INTO THIS JUDGES ACTIONS. SHE HAS NO RIGHT TO TREAT SOMEONE LIKE THE WAY I WAS TREATED AND SHOULD NOT BE A JUDGE!!!!