

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-062

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

May 12, 2023

The Complainant alleged bias and improper rulings by a superior court judge hearing a family case.

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

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on May 12, 2023.

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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.

The judicial system has always been held to the highest standard for fair and impartial treatment, however when a judge goes out of his way to publicly corrupt that system in best interest of the public policy for him to be removed or sanctioned so he does not take the public trust for granted.

It is the responsibly of an oversight agency like yourself to investigate a complaint such as this thoroughly. An agency like yourself needs to step in and build that public trust back.

Your Agency should take note that there are current appeal case being filed regarding Judge [redacted] skewed interpretation of the law. And you should take note that more cases will be coming to your agency. A public [redacted] group and been initiated calling out the corruption and bias treatment of the tax paying citizen by abuse of judicial power within the [redacted] County Court System. Judge [redacted] is the system but you are entrusted to be the cure.

[redacted] County [redacted] Court Judge [redacted] has become the tyer of personal agenda and bias. Judge [redacted] makes no secret that he is partial to

- [redacted] openly brags in the community and to new clients of his relationship with Judge [redacted] and it was in my case it was flagrant.

There were people walking by the closed courtroom door and could hear intentionally using a very aggressive, threatening and loud voice when questioning me. Judge [redacted] allowed me to be verbally abused by [redacted] Even though my attorney objected.

- [redacted] people were in the courtroom and went out to speak with my [redacted] regarding [redacted] behavior towards me. People could hear it out in the lobby due to his loud questioning. They stood there stopped and shook their heads at the way Judge [redacted] allowed this misconduct. The [redacted] also overheard [redacted] conduct and asked me on recess " [redacted] "
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[redacted] County Superior Court Judge [redacted] has become the tyer of personal agenda and bias. Judge [redacted] makes no secret that he is partial to private attorney [redacted]

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“ [redacted] ”

- Evidence was placed before Judge [redacted] that my ex-husband could be a convicted felon by my attorney. It was mentioned that it would be improper to remove my firearms and give them to him. Judge [redacted] in a flippant tone said ' [redacted] ' I cannot explain in words the bewildered look on my attorneys face when Judge [redacted] said that.
- My attorney made countless objections to the conduct of [redacted] and was overruled every objection, Yet Judge [redacted] sustained every objection put before him.
- Judge [redacted] had knowledge of the testimony and allowed [redacted] to outright lie in his closing arguments and miss characterize the testimony of the private investigator. And even added vehicles that were not on any evidence sheet.
- In the restraining order that was filed my attorney and [redacted] were openly arguing over the facts. Without hearing any testimony Judge [redacted] stated that he already knew what was going on.

Judge [redacted] was involved in an unrelated ongoing [redacted] case with my granddaughter who had attempted suicide. (I had guardianship). There was no abuse by me as I had adopted her less than a year later. But during one of the court hearings regarding where my daughter would live I had explained that I had no place to live with her.

Unbeknownst to Judge [redacted] and had he fully read the circumstances of the case he would have discovered my ex-husband and I agreed that I would keep the family home and that was recorded by audio. I was considered a sinner in a divorce action and a saint in the adoption. He even stated I was not credible regarding a security system that was accidentally erased and paid to have it restored. This was done so the court would understand I am credible and made a mistake.

Approx. a week goes by and my ex-husband had stolen my emotional support dog, lied and had me frantic for over an hour and this was proved by email, broke a sliding glass door during an argument and yelled to the extent that the neighbors

heard it. He was also videoing with audio so he could hear my conversations with my attorney; I did not know and was told by him that he wouldn't do that. He was living in a fifth wheel beside the home. Our marriage counselor was worried for my safety and thought it was a good idea for me to file a restraining order. Which was done and the Judge called my witness not credible.

The restraining hearing lasted _____ had _____ to represent himself as we had _____. My entire thought during this case was what about my safety.

- I also went to make a copy of the video system and accidentally erased it. I paid quite a bit of money to prove to the judge this was an accident and had the video fixed.

This was on _____ when denied me to have an attorney. _____ expertise witness said the videos could not be fixed. And they were, after that time I was called non credible for erasing the videos even after paying a sum of money so the judge could understand I did not do this on purpose.

He even denied evidence that my ex-husband had an account where all videos were saved for three months. And the company notified my ex-husband that they were erased but still had the videos in his private account. This is why it was pushed for me to have the system copied. Because he thought it could not be reproduced produce.

- When I hired a new attorney, she had asked for more time to evaluate my case and I had broken my wrist and was under doctor care and couldn't write. Judge _____ denied and stated " _____ " in an attempt to deny me my right to have counsel under the color of authority and benefit his fiend Attorney _____

- When I showed up to court, Judge _____ was obviously upset he was visibly upset because I couldn't write. I explained to the Judge _____ that I would never lie in court and told Judge _____ all videos were saved. Judge _____ then looked to see if the person who repaired the system would testify in court. He did acknowledge that he would and said he would speak with him at the next trial. I was shocked by Judge _____ months later during trial that I should have done a motion! Judge _____ flippant from his original comments and wanted a ' _____ '. I was not properly informed nor understanding in the Arizona laws.

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