State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-105

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

February 8, 2023

The Complainant alleged a hearing officer made improper rulings in a small claims 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 member Michael J. Brown did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 8, 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 judge had my information in front of him. He had me tell what happened. I have a warranty on my and I had free oil changes and tire rotations. The were full and it was time to changed my oil. I use to live in and had a availble spot on I drop straight down to their dealership to get the oil change done and my mileage was at They inspected my vehicle and said my vehicle was ok. I left and went back to In L noticed my car was making noise on the left front side. I got home and went to and dropped off the car on for a week because they were backed up. On picked up the vehicle and my service advisor, , asked me who last served my car and I told them did. He informed me that they did not tighten up the front left tire lug nuts and it caused damaged to the brake pad and rotor, the tire and rim. I had to do the whole front brakes, get a wheel alignment because that got damaged as well. I had to replace all tires so they could be the same. I spent total to get back my car. I contacted at but he declined to reimbursed me for the repairs. I reported this to my lawyer in This incident happened in , so they sent this complaint to their sister company named in sent a letter to to get them to reimbused me but the General Manager, still declined to reimbused me. I had them served and on the Judge, asked me what happened and I told him. said said they had evidence that they did not touch my tires but did not provide proof. The Judge basically was wondering why I went out of state to have my oil change done. He said the went from lawyer to lawyer basically if my claim was a waste of time. He was being bias and had his mind made up. I provided my evidence. was trying to put the blame on who did my tire rotation and my mileage was at back on Between and my mileage used was lf was at fault, I would have noticed the noise in His ruling was unfair and I need this to be reported. messed up my vehicle at a cost to me of and I am never buying a again. Thank you!

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