## State of Arizona

## COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

## Disposition of Complaint 22-131

Judge:

Complainant:

### ORDER

### February 16, 2023

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge admitted false evidence and made improper rulings in a dependency 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 Delia R. Neal did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 16, 2023.

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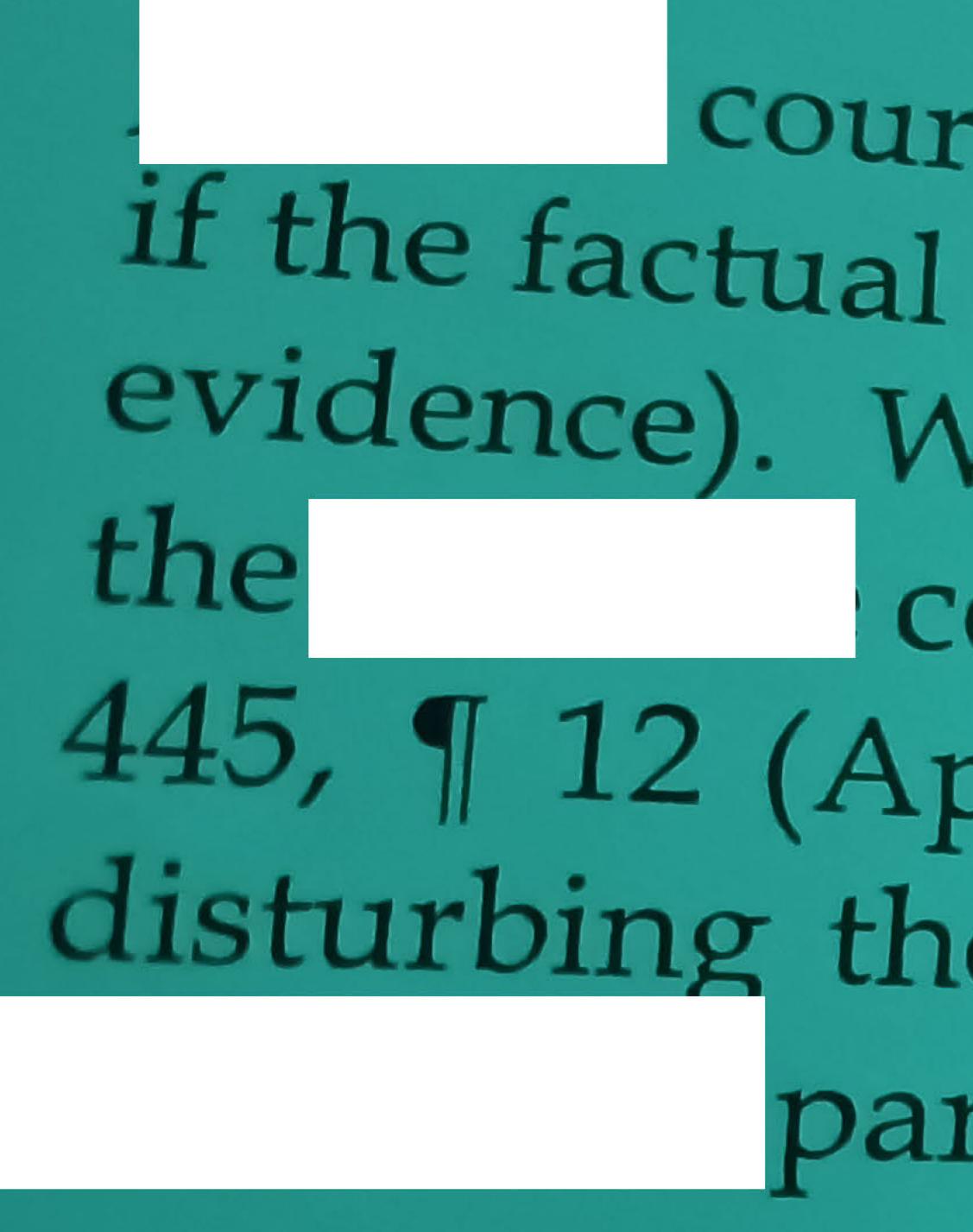
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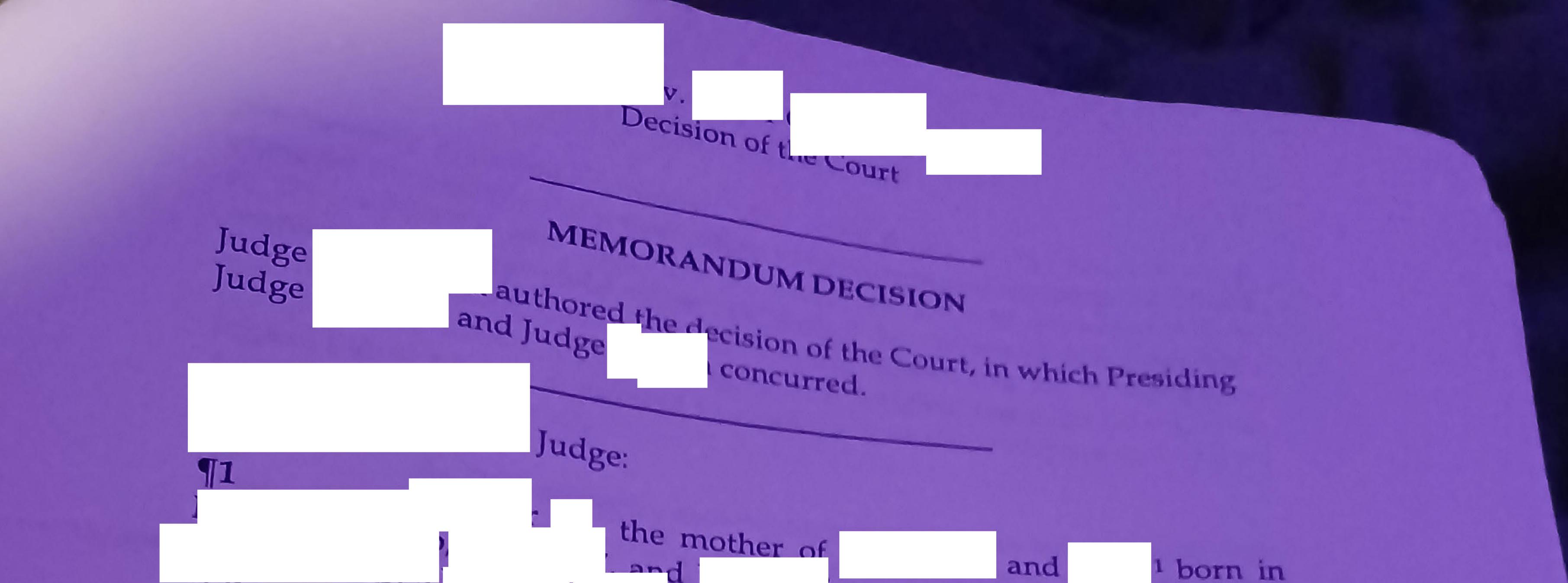
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# COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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Decision of the Court court's order for abuse of discretion and will not disturb the ruling if the factual findings upon which it is based are supported by reasonable evidence). We view the evidence in the light most favorable to upholding court's ruling. See Christy C. v. Ariz. Dep't of Econ. Sec., 214 Anz. 445, ¶ 12 (App. 2007). has not established any basis in law for disturbing the ruling. We therefore affirm the court's order terminating parental rights to her children.



children on the grounds of order terminating her parental rights to the court-ordered care. See A.R.S. § 8-533(B)(3), (8)(c). Appointed counsel filed had reviewed the record and had found no non-frivolous issue to raise on persona and file a pro se brief. We regard the two letters she has filed to be answering brief and her reply to the Department of (DCS)

¶2 In commenced an in-home dependency proceeding, filing a petition in which it alleged had neglected the children, who have special needs, and was unable to care for them. Although did not remove the children initially, about after it filed the dependency petition, filed a motion to remove them from custody. That motion alleged she was unable to care for them, failed to engage in services, engaged in with the children's father, and displayed cognitive limitations. The court adjudicated the children dependent and ordered that they be returned to care. She thereafter absconded with them and the court ordered that they be removed. They have remained in court-ordered care since

¶3 provided a plethora of services tailored for her mental health and other issues over the next year and a half. After a

<sup>1</sup>Because the children's first and last initials are the same, we distinguish them by using the initials of their first and middle names. The children had the same father, whose rights were also terminated. He is not a party to this appeal.