

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-175

Judge:

Complainants:

ORDER

March 30, 2023

The Complainants alleged biased and improper legal decisions by a superior court judge hearing a guardianship 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 Joseph C. Kreamer did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on March 30, 2023.

Judge

When you think of judges we all would like to think they are fair, have morals, values, etc. Judge displayed several times he had no interest in being fair, or moral, on several occasions he didn't even consider any request from me. Every time we had a hearing in regards to my son things would already be pretty determined without my input, and when I was allowed to put my input in it would just be quickly dismissed in the favor of and . Around months ago I petitioned the court for a different Judge to preside over my sons case, and it was transferred to Judge . Judge ordered my son to have a private hearing with Judge over inappropriate actions his former court appointed council did at my son's home. This hearing was set as my son vs his court appointed council on inappropriate misconduct. By definition of the court on my sons current status of being incapacitated that action taken didn't seem very appropriate. The end result of that was his Court appointed council stepping aside and Judge calling my son a liar. Any time a issue would come up and would always strongly insist that everything in regards to my sons case be in front of Judge and even went as far as to Petition the court for everything to be in front of , and the current Judge dismissed the request as moot.