

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-184

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

March 20, 2023

The Complainant alleged improper demeanor and lack of preparation by a superior court commissioner 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 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 Joseph C. Kreamer did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on March 20, 2023.

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To whom it may concern my name is I'm the
mother of and the grandmother of and the grandmother of
. My daughter had a court date on withe judge
at the superior court in . My daughter's case is ' Case sensitive '
and her case number is # and judge was very
unprofessional and did not familiarize himself with her case and while in the court room mind you
this is all being recorded judge asked my daughter who was in the court room and of
course my daughter told him it was her and her mother then he asked her if she had
her paperwork with her and she said she was not informed about her needing to bring her
paperwork to court today then judge he admitted to not having the needed paperwork on
her case then proceeded to tell my daughter that she did not have 50/50 custody of her son
but it stated on her paperwork that she did and on her paperwork also states that their is
arrest warrant for because he violated a court order he took her son
out of state without permission from the court and nothing has happened about that then
the judge starts asking her about witness he said how many witness do you have my daughter
answered with a number it being he says that not what I asked then he said how many do you
have right now my daughter answered with my mom one person then again he says
that's not what I asked for then he says I need time to set for a trial date then my daughter say's no
this is a conflict of interest because of her daughter s case with him and she told
him you're not setting a trial date and she told him she will get another judge, then the judge refuses
to excuse himself from the case and tries to intimidate my daughter by telling her that he doesn't see
how she could get another judge then the judge proceeds to set a trial date of
at My daughter wants the original judge she knows the case very well and
we would greatly appreciate it if you would consider my daughter's wishes and just to let you know
the bailiff never told us that when the excuses himself from the court room we should wait so when
the bailiff said rise my daughter did then turned and left with me so soon as we were out of the
court room he goes and tells my daughter she should have waited until the judge left in a slightly
aggressive voice then I said I'll take the paper then he decided to raise his voice at me and I told you
don't raise you're voice at me you told us and gave me the paper we're done then we left. If you
have any questions please call me at Sincerely and you can

call my daughter at #
consideration.

her name is

thank you for you're