

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 22-247

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

September 28, 2022

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge 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 Louis Frank Dominguez did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on September 28, 2022.

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Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct  
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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY****2022-247****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.

- 1) RULING ENDANGERS CHILDREN
- 2) ARROGANT TO THE ENDANGEMENT OF CHILDREN
- 3) VIOLATED CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT
- 4) FAILURE TO HAVE A PARTY SPEAK OR BE HEARD DURING REPRESENTATION

PLease SEE ATTACHED LETTER. FOR DETAILS.

To whom it may concern:

I'm writing to you today on behalf of my grandchildren \_\_\_\_\_ Specifically, case number \_\_\_\_\_. What transpired during the pre-trial hearings and the final trial is the epitome of ineptitude. By both Judge \_\_\_\_\_

During the pre-trial hearings Judge \_\_\_\_\_ was in total control. During these hearings she ordered both my son \_\_\_\_\_ and daughter in law \_\_\_\_\_ to obtain drug tests, proof of income, and a lease agreement. None of those requirements were met by either one. In fact, \_\_\_\_\_ only appeared in the in one of the Zoom hearings. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ moved her trial to \_\_\_\_\_ ordered her to attend counseling through \_\_\_\_\_ and comply with drug testing. That was not completed as well.

Also, in one of the hearings, my son's ex-girlfriend testified that she provided money and transportation to obtain drugs as well as using drugs.

The day of the trial \_\_\_\_\_ my Sons attorney requested a continuance because \_\_\_\_\_ claimed he was in a car accident and was suffering from a \_\_\_\_\_ He was asked to provide proof which he did not. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ granted a continuance to \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered proof of the accident be provided. I called \_\_\_\_\_ All reported to me that there is no record of any of those agencies being in contact with \_\_\_\_\_ on the date of the supposed accident. It is my contention that the continuance was requested solely on the fact that \_\_\_\_\_ attorney knew that Judge \_\_\_\_\_ was to be rotated out from the case and Judge \_\_\_\_\_ would take the case.

The trial took place or \_\_\_\_\_ refused to allow the petitioner or her attorney speak or ask questions. As the trial continued, it became apparent that \_\_\_\_\_ was ill-prepared.

1. Brent testified that he last used drugs in the year \_\_\_\_\_ failed to mention the testimony of \_\_\_\_\_ ex-girlfriend.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ failed to follow up on the proof of the supposed car accident.
3. He completely failed to communicate effectively regarding the fictitious lease agreement that was provided by \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ failed to provide both a drug test and proof of income \_\_\_\_\_ failed to address those with a sense of urgency and importance.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ FAILED to build a foundation of the lies that were told by \_\_\_\_\_ during the previous hearings. Had he done so, perhaps Judge \_\_\_\_\_ would have ruled differently.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ The fact that he would allow \_\_\_\_\_ to provide:

1. No proof of drug test
2. No proof of income
3. No proof of a valid lease agreement
4. No proof of \_\_\_\_\_ being involved in an accident.
5. Did not consider testimony of ex-girlfriend

And yet, he ruled in favor of \_\_\_\_\_

He has put the health and safety of my grandchildren in jeopardy. He failed in all aspects of this case. It is obvious that Judge        did not take the time to prepare for the case. It was simply "get this case off my calendar" He must be reprimanded!

You often hear how messed up this "system" is. Unfortunately, the public really doesn't pay attention to the horror stories because it really doesn't affect them. Well, that is going to change. The entire system is broken. We as grandparents, will be contacting the media to share light of what actually goes on.