State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

| | Disposition of Complaint 22-249 |
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| Judge: | |
| Complainant: | |

ORDER

October 12, 2022

The Complainant alleged a superior court commissioner improperly granted a petition for adult adoption and did not allow an objection from an interested party.

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 Christopher W. Ames did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on October 12, 2022.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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| words what you believe names, dates, times, a pages may be attached a | form or plain paper of the same size to file a complete the judge did that constitutes judicial misconduct. Be and places that will help the commission understand along with copies (not originals) of relevant court document seep a copy of the complaint for your records. | specific and list all of the your concerns. Additional |
| Adult Ado | ption Hearing - | |
| | - Guardian - Adoption o | |
| 110 | -Biological Mother | |
| | Sobmitted | Objection to |
| Adoption. | Paid filing fee. | |
| Hearing w | as by telephone. I gave | my hame |
| - Prior to hea | aring with my objection. | • |
| _ | gave testimor | ry. I was |
| not allowed | d to speak. I was Sworni | n. |
| Commission | | |
| testimony, | Made herroling, Granting | the Adoption. |
| Just like: | I was not even present. | |
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| Iam | Material Grand mother | . I last Saw |
| - | yes old. He Stayed withma | efor weeks |
| While my Da | ugher was on vacation. Sho | |
| moved to | leaving wit | |
| Prior to | birth and My | Daughter |
| were room | ates, at the time my Dan | ghter was |
| Bi Sexual. | is a Lesbian, Neve | r Married. |
| | assed never knowing where | was. |
| I was alway | eys told by my Daughter | was with |
| here, never | I was able to speak or see | him in those |
| years, 7 | Lo address of my Daughter | 01 |
| no phone r | to way of knowing where | was. |

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| Court Files | inotavailable until I was able to access |
| court file | Showing Buardianship- ption-Able to locate and request |
| - Adult Ado | ption - Able to locate and request |
| copies with | of Court. |
| My objec | tions were not heard, also in written |
| form prior | to the hearing. Hearings in Person, I was ruled no in person hearings |
| Accordin | a Hearings in Person I was |
| told | ruled no in person hearings |
| 179.20 . 1 | |
| _ I was | not able to see my Grandson |
| when I Sa | id my name prior to being Sworn in ledgement I was Biological |
| no acknow | ledgement I was Biological |
| Grand mot | her. |
| In my op | vinion this was already determined. |
| Adopti | on Granted. |
| In | Court Stating as a |
| interested | Court Stating as a party. Never received notifications. |
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In the . Court of the State of Arizona the County of

2022-249

Adult Adoption

Now comes,

Biological Grandmother of

 Guardian of Married, Female. vas given to

A single, never

- 2) Interested Family Members, Relatives were never notified of Living with My Daughter said he was with her in She always had an excuse why could not come to the phone. was never with all along living with
- According to court files that I obtained from Court Records
 That allowed me to read untruths that were given to the Courts to obtain Guardianship of My only Grandchild.
- 4) My Daughter was Pregnant with when she became Roommate, living in home. She broke up with his Biological Father A Resident. When They broke up lost contact with him.

- (5) Biological Father never knew he had a Son Father a College Graduate, Owns a Business and Home. He adored professed his love for her. He wanted to marry her and have a family. Would have been a blessing for to be raised by his Biological Father.
- (7) Within days of Birthday. A Petition was filed by for Adult Adoption of

Not in the best interest of to allow to Adopt. He will never be allowed to

Have a relationship with his Biological Grandparents that by control will never allow. He will not be able to grow as a Adult. With plans for Independence to include Education. Career of choice and interest. I only want the best for My Only Grandchild.

Submitted:

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Now Comes

Biological Grandmother of:

According to ARS 14-8101 D. Hearing shall be heard in person. No mention of telephone. In person line placed over document telephone rather than in person. Submitted by Request in Person.

Copy or copies not mailed to Biological Grandmother Address and phone listed in court file date stamped received on As Interested party.

Adopting would benefit

This again would allow
as Adult.

with Government benefits for to have complete control of

Is as Adult unable to function without? Does have a disability that prevents him from being Independent as Adult?

Submitted:

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FOR ACCESS TO THE
REMAINDER OF THE
COMPLAINT IN THIS MATTER,
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IN WRITING TO THE
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL
CONDUCT AND REFERENCE
THE COMMISSION CASE
NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.