

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 22-265

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

December 22, 2022

The Complainant alleged improper rulings and bias by a superior court judge hearing a family court 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 members Colleen E. Concannon and Louis Frank Dominguez did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on December 22, 2022.

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I'm writing to you in request of your assistance with Judge \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Court regarding case where Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is blatantly biased in this case.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has done the following in this case that shows clear bias:

- Granted previous counsel \_\_\_\_\_ an uncontested continuance of a \_\_\_\_\_ child support/custody hearing.
- Rescinded this continuance when new counsel \_\_\_\_\_ was brought onto this case resulting in exhibit submittal deadlines being missed and proving detrimental to my case.
- Penalized me (awarding attorney's fees to mother) in court during \_\_\_\_\_ 1 hearing for previous counsel failure to respond to opposing counsel's settlement offer.
- Allowed mother \_\_\_\_\_ ) and opposing counsel's \_\_\_\_\_ ) child support worksheet to be submitted and used to calculate child support despite father raising the objection that mother & opposing counsel included her older child from a previous marriage that has emancipated \_\_\_\_\_ ).
- Judge \_\_\_\_\_ allowed mother to include this fraudulent child support worksheet violating <https://www.azcourts.gov/familylaw/Child-Support-Guidelines> 2022 AZ Child Support Guidelines.

*The presumptive termination date is the last day of the month of the \_\_\_\_\_ birthday of the youngest child included in the order unless the court finds that it is projected that the youngest child will not complete high school by age \_\_\_\_\_. In that event, the presumptive termination date is the last day of the month of the anticipated graduation date, or age \_\_\_\_\_ whichever occurs first. The computer-based Child Support Worksheet will perform this calculation.*

- Judge \_\_\_\_\_ also ignored the fact that mother has already claimed our common daughter on her \_\_\_\_\_ taxes and collected all stimulus monies and income tax refunds for our daughter. Father asked for equitable division of monies and/or tax years to claim deductions for our common daughter – this request was ignored.
- To further add insult to injury, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is now awarding mother additional attorney's fees for bringing up the two above valid arguments.

There appears to be clear bias from Judge \_\_\_\_\_ where he is ignoring the law and penalizing father at every opportunity.

I do fear reciprocity with submittal of this complaint but this needs to be documented as Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is presiding over this case \_\_\_\_\_ & my other family court case \_\_\_\_\_. But I cannot sit idly by and see the integrity of the court go unchecked as what happened to me with former Judge \_\_\_\_\_.

I do ask for your immediate assistance as the judgements being awarded by Judge \_\_\_\_\_ are violating AZ Child Support guidelines and will result in additional tens of thousands of dollars being awarded to mother.

Thank you for your immediate assistance.

COURT OF ARIZONA  
COUNTY

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CLERK OF THE COURT

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IN RE THE MATTER OF

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MINUTE ENTRY

Pending before the Court is Respondent's Notice of Lodging, filed on ;  
Petitioner's Objection, filed on ; and Respondent's Response to Petitioner's  
Objection, and Petitioner's Reply. After reviewing the briefing and the record in this case,

**IT IS ORDERED** the Court adopts the consent decree lodged by Respondent. Petitioner's  
objections were not well founded. Further, the Court is not considering new objections raised for  
the first time in the reply. Petitioner should have "listen[ed] closely to the audio" long before filing  
the reply. This is particularly true when, as here, Petitioner was tasked with submitted a proposed  
form of order but did not timely do so.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** Mother may submit a fee application consistent with the  
Court's order, no later than . Father may file an objection no later  
than . No reply is permitted.

All parties representing themselves must keep the Court updated with address changes.  
A form may be downloaded at:  
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YOUR RECEIPT &gt;&gt;

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City:

State: Arizona

Zip:

**Payment On Behalf Of**

Name(s):

**Description****Case Number****Application  
Fee**PETITIONER'S REPLY ON PETITIONER'S OBJECTION TO RESPONDENT'S NOTICE OF  
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION &gt;&gt;

**THE COMMISSION'S POLICY IS  
TO POST ONLY THE FIRST FIVE  
PAGES OF ANY DISMISSED  
COMPLAINT ON ITS WEBSITE.**

**FOR ACCESS TO THE  
REMAINDER OF THE  
COMPLAINT IN THIS MATTER,  
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IN WRITING TO THE  
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NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.**