State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-299

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

June 2, 2023

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge ignored evidence and made improper rulings in 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 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 Denise K. Aguilar did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on June 2, 2023.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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Judge's Name:

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Or court to request temporary custody of my Jaughter because her I came to the step mother hit her while in her fathers care. The temp orders were approved. On I had a review of permanent orders with and Judge The evidence that i provided to the judge was lost, the judge and her clerk found the paperwork and the judge determined that even with several statements from my daughter to several people (the teacher and a therapist) that that since there was not a solid hand print on her face the assault did not happen. The judge returned my daughter to the care of the people who are causing physical and emotional harm to her without regard for how the decision would impact her, the only amendment made was that the stepmom cannot be alone with my daughter and has to be with another adult, but all of this happened with all of the same adults in the home at the time of the incident. On previous occasions the judge has refused to review prior history in the case to confirm there has been domestic violence, she has not required the opposing party to satisfy their court order obligations prior to receiving additional parenting time and has only taken the side of the opposing party into consideration.

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