

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 22-333

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

June 8, 2023

The Complainant alleged improper rulings by a superior court judge 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 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 Delia R. Neal did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on June 8, 2023.

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY****2022-333****COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Judge's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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On \_\_\_\_\_ the Honorable \_\_\_\_\_ set the following orders regarding the legal decision-making and parenting time over my children, namely; \_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ During this hearing, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ orders were set denying any parental rights to my children. The \_\_\_\_\_ had started an investigation of allegations made against me for neglect. As the investigation continued, Father was given the opportunity to complete classes and programs to satisfy the \_\_\_\_\_ to place my children with him on a temporary basis. I was not offered or given opportunity to satisfy the \_\_\_\_\_ to have the children remain with me while they continued to perform their investigation. Instead, the \_\_\_\_\_ felt it was best to place the children with a convicted felon barely out of incarceration, who had been absent from a majority of the children's lives. Once Father completed his requirements given by the \_\_\_\_\_ it was motioned to dismiss the \_\_\_\_\_ case initiated by the \_\_\_\_\_ but despite my protest ( \_\_\_\_\_ ). During our investigation with \_\_\_\_\_ Father too was accused of neglect however, Father was provided the opportunity to remedy the allegations against himself through participating in the programs recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ Additionally, \_\_\_\_\_ never offered any support or services to me and completely deprived any contact supervised, unsupervised, or telephonic with my children. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ set orders that the court recommended therapist, \_\_\_\_\_, would have the authority to determine when it was suitable for me to have visitation with my children, I was supportive of this and was acknowledged the circumstance that therapy was in order to reunify and rebuild my relationship with my children. My first complaint is that the Court has a duty to the public to be aware of the professional services they are appointing. As it was later found out on \_\_\_\_\_ the scope of work performed with \_\_\_\_\_ did not include recommendation of when it would appropriate for a parent to have visitation with their children. The court failed on its part to thoroughly research and conclude that \_\_\_\_\_ could address the task that the Court Set.

Additionally, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ only set orders regarding visitation but did not include any other terms or rulings regarding how the minor could or would continue a substantial, frequent, meaningful relationship with their me pursuant to A.R.S. § 25-403.01 D. Establishing these orders was a direct violation of my parental rights, more specifically, §1- 602 of the Parents Bill of Rights which states "All parental rights are reserved to a parent of a minor child without obstruction or interference from this state, any political subdivision of this state, any other governmental entity or any other institution". I was completely stripped of any contact or relationship with my children despite my rights NOT being severed from my children. The only reason the family court was able to rule on our matter was because the Motion to deny the dismissal of our case in \_\_\_\_\_ court I submitted was denied.

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I filed a Petition to Modify the orders set by Judge \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has since then presided over my case. Just before the filing of my Petition, I motioned Judge \_\_\_\_\_ division to allow telephonic contact with my children after not being able to speak to them since \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, my Motion was denied based upon Judge \_\_\_\_\_ findings that the issue I was addressing was set by the \_\_\_\_\_ court matter which was dismissed on \_\_\_\_\_ therefore any orders set by that court should no longer be enforceable. Again, the rights to my children have treated as if they have been severed yet that is NOT the case.

It has been \_\_\_\_\_ since Judge \_\_\_\_\_ set the last orders in my case, \_\_\_\_\_ have passed and I have been denied any parental rights to my children. The court has allowed me to be alienated from my children and despite the Court's position of serving the best interest of the children, has failed to show as to why I am to be denied even a phone call to establish any sort of connection with my children. Despite my best efforts to demonstrate to the Court that I have taken action in my mental health and steps on how to be a better parent, I am treated worse than the father of my children who is a convicted felon and spent majority of my children's lives in prison because of his choices.

I file this complaint with a heavy heart that parents like myself with insufficient financial resources to obtain and maintain consistent legal counsel and hope that it is brought to the attention of the Court that what is being ordered in this matter is unjust and a direct violation of parental rights.

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