

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 22-412

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

July 5, 2023

The complainant alleged bias and improper rulings a 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).

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on July 5, 2023.

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**COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE**

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

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On \_\_\_\_\_ Petitioner filed for legal separation with child, and on \_\_\_\_\_ the court received an affidavit of service stating Respondant was served. On \_\_\_\_\_ the Respondant completed the parenting certificate, and on \_\_\_\_\_ the respondent filed for conciliation services. After Respondant filed, on \_\_\_\_\_ Pettioner files asking for Emergency Motion for Temporary orders regarding parenting time and decision making. On \_\_\_\_\_ a hearing is set. The Pettioner does not show up and when counsel is asked why, counsel replies their client is active military and currently out at sea. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ asked counsel if they knew their client would be out at sea in advanced and not be able to attend the hearing, counsel states yes. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ states she cannot move forward without Pettioner being present. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ states she is partial to military and is going to reschedule the hearing. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ than tells Respondant that they better not be keeping the child away from the other parent. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ prematurely sides with Pettioner and has a bias against Repsondant without hearing either sides testimony. On \_\_\_\_\_, conciliation services are ordered by Judge \_\_\_\_\_ and a stay is put in place. On \_\_\_\_\_, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ requests from Judge \_\_\_\_\_ to have the stay lifted so a hearing can be set. Again, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ shows accomodating favortism to the Pettioner. To my knowledge, a stay in place means no further activity can proceed. On \_\_\_\_\_, an evidentary hearing takes place via video, and Judge \_\_\_\_\_ kicks out Respondants witnesses due to tech issues. Witnesses are not allowed back in the hearing until the very end. Its a constitutional right to allow witnesses to testify on ones behalf. Lots of evidence was submitted including letters from witnesses regarding the best interest of the child. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ does not take the evidence into serious consideration, and it appears she enters this trial with her mind already made up of what she will do. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ shows favortism throughout the hearing to the Pettioner. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ allows extra time after time has run out for Pettioner to state or express themselves. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ did not give the same amount of time or fairness to the Respondnat. The Respondants request for supervised visitation is denied and unsupervised visitation is awarded to Pettioner. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ dismisses the evidence as not being factual, evidence includes Pettioners abuse of alcohol, physical abuse, and past domestice violence behavior. However, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ orders Pettioner to mandate alcohol testing. Clearly this is a mixed message on Judge \_\_\_\_\_ decision. On \_\_\_\_\_ the same day of the hearing when mandated alcohol testing is to begin, the Pettioner tests positive. The Respondant in good faith witholds the child because they have not received a copy of the order and needed clarification. Respondants counsel was not avaiable to provide such information. On \_\_\_\_\_ Pettitioner takes custody of child until \_\_\_\_\_. On \_\_\_\_\_, Pettitioner files motion for contempt against Respondant. On \_\_\_\_\_ an order was entered to transfer the case to conciliation court and attend services. Conciliation court states someone in their office dropped the ball and there was a delay in them taking over the case. On \_\_\_\_\_, conciliation court is scheduled, however, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ premeditively without knowing the result, asks for permission to schedule another evidentary hearing the same day. On \_\_\_\_\_ Judge \_\_\_\_\_ addresses both parties and shows extreme bias and punishment to the Respondant. Again, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ shows favortism and partial to the Pettioner. Respondant is not allowed to fully express themselves as Judge \_\_\_\_\_ interrupts and tells them to be quiet. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ again threatens Respondant but not Pettioner. Evidence was presented again regarding the safety of the child and Judge \_\_\_\_\_ dismisses it. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ allows Pettioner to have full time in hearing to express themselves, but cuts off Respondant when its their turn. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ states she is stepping away to review and make a decision. Again, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ behavior shows favortism and unethical behavior not providing or allowing a fairness or equality for both parties.

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Respondant does not feel their concerns regarding the safety of the child are being taken serious. After the first initla visit with Pettioner, the child showed signs of trauma. The judge insinuates the Respondant is making things up and gets mad for them not following orders. Again, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ does not take any consideration for the child. She is on a power trip of being in charge and expresses her anger for the parties not doing as she states. On this day \_\_\_\_\_, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ orders the Respondant to turn over the child to the Pettioner. When the Pettioner arrives to pick up the child, the child runs and hides under the bed. Video is taken of this happening, and of the child stating, "\_\_\_\_\_. The Pettioner is made aware of the child's behavior and states they do not want to cause emotional distress to the child so they are allowing the child to stay with Respondant. However, the very next day, on \_\_\_\_\_ the Pettioner files emergency motion for contempt and a hearing is scheduled. There is currently a stay order in place from conciliation court so how is a hearing allowed to be set? Again, this shows extreme favorstism towards the Pettioner, and Judge \_\_\_\_\_ not following the judical process. On \_\_\_\_\_, all parties are ordered to attend in person with the child. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has multiple guards present and takes no consideration of how this will affect the child. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ again sides with Pettioner and rudely and unprofessionally speaks to Respondant with threat. During this hearing, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ addresses both parties as they have both been in contempt with her orders. However, she does not speak to Pettioner in the manner she speaks to Respondant. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ questiones the Respondants mental status and states, "\_\_\_\_\_. ? Judge \_\_\_\_\_ asks Respondant a question, and when Respondant attempts to answer, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ tells them to be quiet. It is extremly unfair to ask a question and not be allowed to answer or defend yourslef. The Respondant continues to talk and Judge \_\_\_\_\_ states Respondant is in contempt and fines them \_\_\_\_\_. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ tells the Respondant, "\_\_\_\_\_. The judge orders the child to leave with the Pettioner and instructs the guards to escort them. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ states the child must remain in scholl unless they are sick. The Pettioner deliberty leaves the child out of school and takes them to a trampoline park where Pettioner takes a video and posts it onlne bragging. On \_\_\_\_\_, a court appointed representative is assigned to the child. This should of been done on day one!!! After furteher review, the appointed individual \_\_\_\_\_ has multiple negative reviews online with serious ones stating she accepts monetary bribes. In addition, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ also has multiple negative reviews online from other parties stating she has conducted herself in the same behavior, showing favortism, siding with dangerous parents, and not taking in to consideration the safety, or well being of the child.

This judge is a disgrace! She does not allow evidence or testimony from concerned family members in regards to the child. She has sided with the Pettioner in every hearing and has shown extreme favoritism. She has also shown severe bias to the Respondant. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ insults parents, calls them names, and speaks to them in a disrespectful, rude and unprofessional demeanor.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has violated several codes of conduct. She has not upheld the integrity and independence of the judiciary system. She has not avoided impropriety and the appearance of impropriety of activites. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has not performed her duties in a fair, impartial or diligently manner. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has also engaged in extrajudicial activites that have consistently interferred with her judical obligations, including engaging in political activities for the upcoming election. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is an elected offical and should conduct herself in a professional unbiased manner at all times. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has repeadely personally attacked the character of the Respondant and family.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ goes into each hearing with her mind made up without hearing each party's side. This judge has violated ethical, professional, and basic human interaction with respect for others. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ needs to be reprimanded for her continuous actions and behavior. A judge is to allow evidence to come in and witness testimony. They are not allowed to dismiss based on personal opinions. I asked that you obtain the video from each hearing. Listen to the manner Judge \_\_\_\_\_ speaks and how unfairly she treats certain parties with favoritism to the other.

The father (Petitioner) has never been involved in the child's life. He has been deployed and out of the home for \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ years the child has lived. He has a habitual record of alcohol abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence, among other behaviors that would negatively affect the safety and wellbeing of the child. I don't understand how the power lies in one's hands to make a decision without fully hearing the entire story. Again, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has shown favoritism to the Petitioner from the get go by saying she is partial to the military. I request that she be held accountable for her decisions in this case. I request Judge \_\_\_\_\_ be impeached and denied the right to decide the fate of innocent children. I will file a suit against the court and Judge \_\_\_\_\_ in the event that anything happens to the child as she was warned of the dangers faced when in the presence of the Petitioner. I request that Judge \_\_\_\_\_ be spoken to in a stern manner, as I feel this case or the Respondent will receive retaliation. It is my constitutional right as a voter and citizen of this state to give the facts and my opinion on matters, and to be allowed to testify on one's behalf. The judge has accused my family of calling her chambers which we have not done. Let me remind you, her number is public record and anyone could have called. I do not appreciate the defamation of character against me and other family members she has stated under oath. I expect due diligence in this matter.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.