State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

	Disposition of Complaint 22-413
Judge:	
Complainant:	

ORDER

June 28, 2023

The Complainant alleged a superior court commissioner hearing a family law case improperly denied a motion for change of judge.

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 Scott C. Silva did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on June 28, 2023.

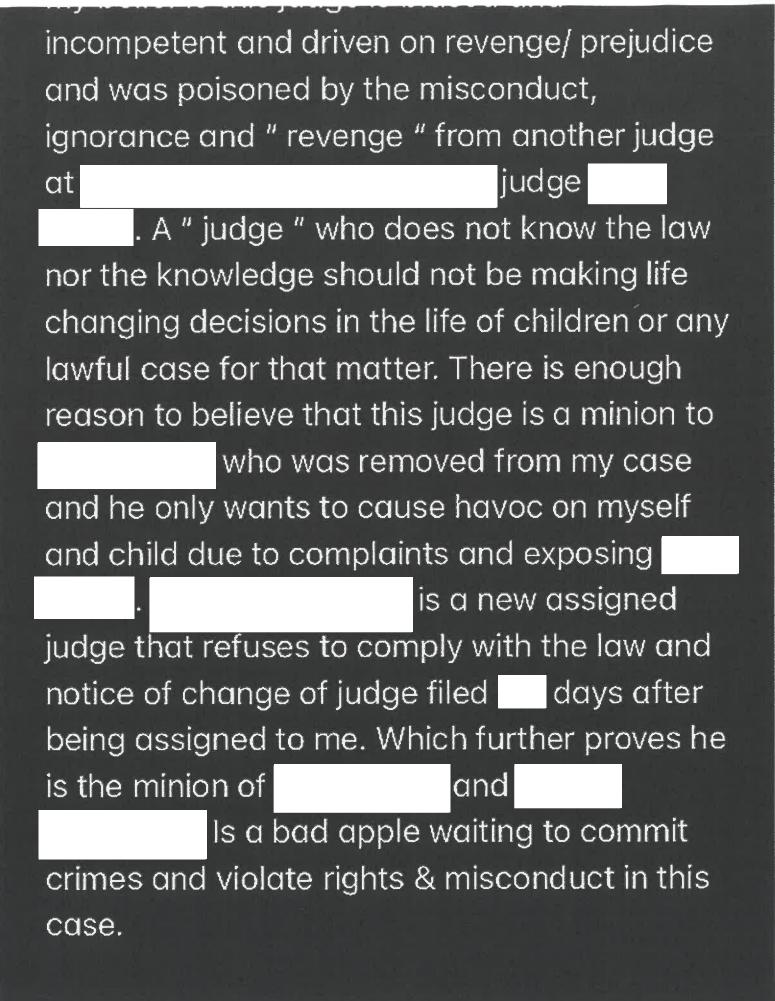
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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: Judge's Name:		
Instructions: Use this form or plain paper of the	same size to file a complaint. Describe in your own	
words what you believe the judge did that constitu	ites judicial misconduct. Be specific and list all of the	
names, dates, times, and places that will help t	he commission understand your concerns. Additional	
pages may be attached along with copies (not original	s) of relevant court documents. Please complete one side	
of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaint for		



[00] | - Case management Okay, so, yeah, he's a judge. Is that who you filed the change of judge on? [00:] -Yes. [00:] - Case management Let me transfer you to his chambers you can follow up with them and see if they know when they have an answer.] -[00: Okay. Thank you. [00:00: ----This is [00:00:]-Hi. They transferred me over because I wanted to see when the judge would have an order for the change of judge motion i filed.] -[00: I need a little more information. Your name, your case number. Did you file a notice to change a judge? [00:]-And yes, I filed it. [00:] -Okay. I do have it here on . 1st problem is you didn't sign it, but the judge needs to check the rules because you can't file a motion to change the judge after the judge has made a ruling on your case, and he ruled on your . So we have it, but it doesn't mean it's going to be granted. [00:]-Very convenient for him. I checked the rules, and I have the rules as well. It is signed.

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REMAINDER OF THE
COMPLAINT IN THIS MATTER,
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THE COMMISSION CASE
NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.