

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-468

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

July 14, 2023

The complainant alleged a superior court judge made improper rulings and failed to maintain a record of the hearing in a juvenile 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).

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on July 14, 2023.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGEName: _____ Judge's Name: Judge

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The judge is ignoring witness testimony and the facts in the case to make decisions about the case using terms such as " " or "

! Court cases are not about a judges feelings or inclinations but what can be proven. It was proven that had no right to remove my children and they used a closed report from Department as well as a number of false statements to have my children removed. They also illegally had one of my children detained by without a warrant or court order which is shown in documents they submitted from Detective testified that she wrote in her report and informed

! Couldn't be collaborated yet he has failed to stop the dependency action so my children can be returned home. He also ordered the release of my health records when it was already argued that it would destroy the client clinician therapeutic relationship and he agreed but he decided to over turn his own decision stating " "

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He was not misled. I entered counseling again due to the triggers I experienced from childhood trauma and the current systematic prejudice I experience. The therapist did not believe releasing my entire record was appropriate and said she had never experienced such intrusion on a client. It has already impacted my therapeutic relationship as I am no longer comfortable speaking to my therapist freely. I am triggered by injustice and this case was filed unjustly.

COURT OF ARIZONA
COUNTY

HONORABLE

CLERK OF THE COURT

Deputy

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOB:

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STATUS CONFERENCE
MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA GRANTED

. This matter is digitally recorded in Courtroom

This is the time set for Status Conference on the mother's Motion to Quash Subpoena /
Objection / Motion for Protective Order, filed .

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Present telephonically/virtually: _____, Special Trial Counsel for the
Department _____; _____, mother; Deputy Public Advocate _____,
counsel for mother; _____, counsel for _____; and _____, counsel for the
children.

Counsel for mother informs the Court that the records from _____ could be
released, but not all records because it could cause clinical damage to the relationship between
the mother and the therapist.

Discussion is held.

_____ informs the Court that he could speak with the Department to see exactly
what records are needed from _____.

IT IS ORDERED quashing the subpoena.

IT IS ORDERED directing the Department to file a written motion for the release of
records from _____ asking for specific records and why they need those records.

_____ explains to the Court that the therapy the mother is receiving may very well
not be relevant to the Court and is very sensitive.

IT IS ORDERED affirming the **Dependency Adjudication Hearing (Day 1)** regarding
the mother

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This Courtroom utilizes an electronic recording system for the Court's record. If a court
reporter is needed, a written request must be filed with the Clerk of the Court and a copy
provided to the assigned judicial officer at least _____ hours before the commencement of the
proceeding.

To order a recording of the hearing, please contact the Court's Electronic Recording
Services at _____ or _____. When placing your request, please
provide the case number, hearing date(s), your name, telephone number, and mailing address.

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LET THE RECORD REFLECT that the Dependency Adjudication Hearing will be held in-person in Courtroom .

. The Child Safety Specialist is now present telephonically, and may have connected earlier but did not announce.

The mother informs the Court that she may not have transportation to the Court for the trial tomorrow.

IT IS ORDERED that the Department arrange for taxi service for the mother for the trial tomorrow.

Court adjourns.

DATE _____ / s / _____

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PAGES OF ANY DISMISSED
COMPLAINT ON ITS WEBSITE.**

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NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.**