

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-484

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

April 5, 2023

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge (now retired) violated his rights in a criminal case by granting his request to represent himself and then denying a request for a trial continuance.

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 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 Joseph C. Kreamer did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

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Motion R. 54 (b)

8. County Superior Court

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12. Judicial violation, County, Honorable

13. Case No.

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15. Judge WAS UNFAIR in granting me pro-per status

16. while giving me only 3 days to prepare for trial and denying my request for

17. an extension of time and the proper resources to prepare a meaningful defense

18. in violation of Canon 2.2 and the 6th and 14th amendments.

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20. Judge also violated my due process rights of the 6th

21. and 14th amendments and Canon 2.2 by denying me time and resources to

22. prepare for jury selection and by denying me advisory counsel who had my

23. best interest in mind.

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25. Judge also violated Canon 6.1 and Arizona rule of

26. criminal procedure 404. For altering exculpatory evidence.

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EXHIBIT A

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

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Appellee,)	
vs.)	No.
)	
Appellant.)	
_____)	

Arizona

BEFORE: THE HONORABLE

JUDGE

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

JURY TRIAL

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PREPARED FOR APPEAL
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PUBLIC DEFENDER

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On Behalf of :

Deputy County Attorney

On Behalf of the Defendant:

In Propria Persona

Advisory Counsel

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THE COURT: This is vs.

Can the parties announce for the record, please?

Good morning, Your Honor.

for

And for subject

to his waiver of counsel.

THE COURT: All right. this case has

been assigned now to me for trial.

My understanding is that, at least the last
contact that I had with Judge was that you were
wanting to represent yourself.

Is that still correct?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Did you fill out the forms that I
guess you were given at the -- by her?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: All right. Did you sign it?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

Judge, I think we just need -- if I
can approach, I think we just need to put his name in the
caption.

THE COURT: Okay. We can have the clerk do that.

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