

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 23-060

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

September 1, 2023

The complainant alleged improper legal rulings by a justice of the peace hearing a civil 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 member Roger D. Barton did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on September 1, 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 constitutes judicial misconduct. Be specific and list all of the names, dates, times, and places that will help the commission understand your concerns. Additional pages may be attached along with copies (not originals) of relevant court documents. Please complete one side of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaint for your records.

Lack of Service: summons to _____ was delivered to the daughter of the Defendant and not the Defendant himself. The daughter is a part time resident and did not deliver the summons to the Defendant, thus not completing the service of summons.
The judge ignored the defendant's proof of ability and desire to pay off the loan and wish to take over the debt.
The judge asked the plaintiff on a phonecomm on _____ if they sent any notice to the defendant's mailing address and the plaintiff replied:
After the plaintiff admitted to the judge they did not mail any notice to the defendant's address the judge proceeded to rule for the plaintiff despite this telling fact.
The defendant contends that he cannot make payments on a loan he was never notified was in default
Also, the defendant contends the judge ruled against him because of the way he dressed in court: he was not wearing a suit.
The vehicle in question was sold leaving the defendant to pay the full amount of the outstanding loan without benefit of owning the vehicle. He will in effect be paying for nothing.
The vehicle in question was sold in _____. The default judgment plaintiff's NOTICE OF OUR PLAN TO SELL PROPERTY of _____ was mailed to _____ at the wrong address: _____, a place defendant never resided.
The deductions from the Defendant's paychecks were 50% twice each month causing him financial hardship.