

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 23-065

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

September 1, 2023

The complainant alleged improper legal rulings by a superior court judge hearing a criminal 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 members Roger D. Barton and Joseph C. Kreamer 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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On \_\_\_\_\_, while in custody, was brought to court for a hearing. I had not yet been allowed to speak to an attorney regarding the charges against, nor would I be allowed to until after sentencing.

I was escorted to the podium and there were some things said rather quickly, none of which I understood and then suddenly the attorney standing next to me ( \_\_\_\_\_ ), turned around and walked away, as did the prosecutor.

Then I was approached by a deputy and told I had to leave the courtroom. I was confused and asked why, he informed me that my hearing was over. I tried asking questions but was told it was to late.

My next hearing was set for \_\_\_\_\_. At that hearing there was some fast talking again but this time I spoke up and tried to tell the judge that I needed to speak to an attorney or get some information regarding my charges.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ told me to \_\_\_\_\_.

A month later, I accepted a plea deal. Without access to an attorney I didn't believe that I would be able to get a fair trial. I didn't even know that I had the right to see the evidence against me. It was not until more than a year later, on \_\_\_\_\_ that I was allowed to see discovery for the first time and knew what I had been accused of.

And I got discovery from an attorney who was appointed after my conviction.

The attorney who represented me originally, \_\_\_\_\_, was suspended by the public defender's office (citing in court documents) his handling of my case and went on to become well known among other attorneys for how tremendously he fucked up my case. Even so, the \_\_\_\_\_ found no mistakes in the the way he handled my case.

Anyhow, this could have been avoided had Judge \_\_\_\_\_ not told me to " \_\_\_\_\_ " and that " \_\_\_\_\_ ".

I didn't see how I would be able to defend myself without being allowed to speak. And not knowing that I was allowed to see the evidence against me, I wouldn't have been able to dispute it.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ also allowed these hearings to proceed without an initial pretrial statement or a comprehensive pretrial statement being filed. So even if I had know that I had the right to see evidence, no evidence was ever disclosed.

Anyhow, I understand that the commission on judicial conduct only exists to gather complaints and do damage control before the public finds out about all the corruption among judges.

Having lawyers investigating lawyers, cops investigating cops and judges investigating judges is just fucking bullshit. We all know that. But you people make the rules and dictate who has to follow them and who doesn't.

Why isn't everyone allowed to investigate themselves. You're all corrupt individuals and I cannot imagine how you can justify what you do.

But I can understand why you must protect each other. To be exiled from the political ruling class and lose the protection it offers would mean certain death. None of you would survive being made to answer for your sins.