State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 23-144	
Judge:	
Complainant:	

ORDER

September 29, 2023

The complainant alleged a superior court judge showed bias, collusion, and prejudicial behavior in trying to coerce a plea agreement.

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 Barbara Brown 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 29, 2023.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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. I'm bringing the following judicial complaint against Judge for violations of the Publis of the formulation of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaint for your records. I'm bringing the following judicial complaint against Judge for violations of the Publis of the formulation of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaint of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and keep a copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the paper only, and the copy of the complaints of the copy of the complaints of the copy	Name:	Judge's Name:	
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QUEJA CONTRA UN JUEZ

Nombre:	Nombre del juez	:
Instrucciones: Utilice este formulario o papel normal del mismo tamaño para presentar una queja. Describe en tu propia palabras, lo que usted cree que hizo el juez que constituye una mala conducta judicial. Sea específico y enumere todos los nombres, fechas, horas y lugares que ayudarán a la comisión a comprender sus preocupaciones. Las páginas adicionales pueden adjuntarse junto con copias (no originales) de los documentos judiciales pertinentes. Complete una cara del papel solamente, y guarde una copia de la queja para sus registros.		
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I filled against	the day before. As I began to	
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assistant and asked him t	o bring her the statement. She quick	by scanned the first couple
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