

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 23-169

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

September 29, 2023

The complainant alleged a superior court judge pro tem set a bond too low in 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 member Barbara Brown 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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Judge's Name:

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The judge decreasing of the bail for _____ after his physical attack of a police officer who was doing his job of protecting a citizen, is reprehensible. Police officers should be as protected to the same degree as we expect them to protect us. Such a low bail for this horrendous attack is not good adjudication.

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