State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 23-228

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

December 26, 2023

The Complainant alleged a justice of the peace abused the supersedeas bond system.

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).

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on December 26, 2023.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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Judge's Name:

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I attempted to appeal what I felt was a highly unjust verdict when a landlord admitted to supporting and condoning a violent attack on its property, and ejecting me to conceal the responsibility of the attacker, a profitable vendor for the property.

When attempting to file the appeal, Judge rejected my request to waive the bond requirement and further, instructed his clerks to demand in excess of to secure my right to the appeal. The court had no authority to award to the landlord, or to counsel, and had no authority to leverage a from a higher court.

Due to Judge abuse of the appeal and bond system and requirements, I lost access to the appeals court and the justice I sought.

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