

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 11-112

Complainant: No. 1417710754A

Judge: No. 1417710754B

ORDER

The complainant alleged that a justice of the peace reached an incorrect verdict in a disorderly conduct case. The commission reviewed the allegations and found no ethical misconduct on the part of the judge. The issues raised involve the judge's legal ruling, which is outside the jurisdiction of the commission. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23.

Dated: July 22, 2011.

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George Riemer

George A. Riemer
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the judge on July 22, 2011.

This order may not be used as a basis for disqualification of a judge.

04/10/2011

Re: Justice Court Case #JC2009-

Judge Ruling

Good Morning Judicial Ethics & Conduct Committee,

I am writing this letter in absolute astonishment and complaint over Judge recent Not Guilty verdict's on above mentioned Case number.

Both charges, Domestic Violence/Assault, and Disorderly Conduct were dismissed by the Judge without any explanation what so ever. Everyone involved, including the Sheriff's Deputies, the D.A. Christine Truskin, office supervisors, and myself are astonished beyond words as to his ruling.

In a nutshell: Fundamentally we have 2 Phoenix Paramedics unbiased testimony both witnessing the defendant, Renee Ortega, striking me, (victim) multiple times. This was also admitted to and confirmed by the defendant. This fact alone should have been sufficient evidence but couple that with the evident cuts and bumps on my face and head, in addition to the Sheriff's reports from that evening of 12/25/2010 along her

statements admitting to her physically abusing me and this Judge finds her not guilty? By definition, this is Assault at the very least. In my opinion, this is an extreme case of negligence from the bench and total insulting disregard for me, the victim! This is nothing short of a clear case of Assault at the minimum!

This is the same Judge that took the defendant's plea agreement back in April of 2010 and then let her recant after she never showed up for sentencing and also let her Bench Warrant go. This also raises the question of why sentencing was not imposed by Judge at the original hearing of the plea agreement. Shouldn't sentencing have been carried out immediately? I feel that would have made sense and I am still puzzled by that, and am even more upset with this recent situation of total careless and reckless behaviors of this Judge. I don't know what is going on with this Judge and this defendant but it is strange to say the least, as well as contemptuous.

By the way, the Paramedics were the parties that called the Sheriffs to respond. Mind you, this all took place in front of our 7 year old daughter during her mother's drunken rage!

I wish to file a formal complaint against this Judge for his carelessness in not providing the correct and obvious verdict here. This is not an opinion nor an emotional statement, but a simple matter of clear fact. This Judge is an obvious pro-defendant Judge and I find it extremely unsettling that I am still a victim even in a court of law. What's more disturbing is that he would offer absolutely no explanation for his findings. I am insulted as a victim and feel as though this Judge threw even more salt on the wound. I know my next statement won't mean a thing here, however, she has done this in the past, and the difference is that this time she slipped up, in that there were unbiased witnesses present. This, of course, didn't or doesn't mean a thing to Judge nor does my testimony, the Deputies, nor the Paramedics

eyewitness testimonies. I am upset as you can tell and now this women has a fresh start once again to go and repeat this behavior knowing that she doesn't have a deserved record, feeling she is above the law and showing no remorse for her actions. When will she be held accountable? She, once again, is laughing at the entire Judicial system as well as me and our daughter...the victims!

In closing, this letter is in protest of this Judge's decisions, his capacity as a sitting Judge, and his ability to stand for the "right" and the "good" in support of our society that has certain rules in place for good reason. I researched this Judge and his history and I see that he has a shaded past and I am sure this is not the first complaint against him and his rulings. That has been proven!

My daughter, who was there that night is now looking at me as she sees her Mother getting away with this, and her Mother is calling her and bragging and cannot understand why we lose and Mommy wins when she behaves like she does and tries to physically harm us. She doesn't understand how lying is allowed to get a result in your favor.....and neither do I for that matter, especially in a Court of Law.

This is my first attempt at a formal complaint and if I need to contact another party for results, I ask you to please make me aware. I understand that even though I am the victim here, this is the State's case, but I cannot let this die here. This Assault happened and Renee Ortega needs to be held accountable and I cannot rest. Enough is enough! I need a voice here and so does my daughter. Please tell me what I can do next and I thank you in advance.

Regards,

CC/ Veronica Perez- Victims Advocate

The Honorable Judge Norman J. Davis

The Honorable Judge Lester N. Pearce