

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 16-312

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

The complainant alleged a small claims hearing officer improperly allowed the opposing party to defame him.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the hearing officer engaged in conduct that violated the provisions of Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution or the Code of Judicial Conduct and, if so, to take appropriate disciplinary action. The purpose and authority of the commission is limited to this mission.

The commission does not have jurisdiction to review the legal sufficiency of the hearing officer's rulings. In addition, the commission found no evidence of ethical misconduct and concluded that the hearing officer did not violate the Code in this case. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety, pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Dated: December 21, 2016

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George A. Riemer

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George A. Riemer  
Executive Director

Copies of this order were mailed to the complainant and the hearing officer on December 21, 2016.

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

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The case was \_\_\_\_\_ v \_\_\_\_\_  
represented herself and I and \_\_\_\_\_ represented the association. \_\_\_\_\_ was allowed to  
speak for \_\_\_\_\_ about me personally making very defamatory comments, i.e. liar, thief, and cheat. I  
was not a defendant in the case and for this \_\_\_\_\_ to allow such non relevant comments was  
outrageous and offensive.

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>LEGISLATOR</sup> is bragging that a state senator has interceded and effectively made certain that the case  
was ruled in her favor.

This is not an issue of win or lose but an example of how people can abuse a system and make a travesty  
out of justice.

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