

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 17-004

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged two superior court judges (one now retired), treated her unfairly, issued improper rulings, and were biased against her.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the judges 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 judges' rulings. In addition, the commission found no evidence of ethical misconduct and concluded that the judges did not violate the Code in this case. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed in its entirety as to both judges, pursuant to Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Dated: March 1, 2017

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ George A. Riemer

George A. Riemer
Executive Director

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on March 1, 2017.

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

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: _____ **Judge's Name:** _____

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.

My case started _____ when my divorce was originally done. At that time I had no money for an attorney and still don't so there was no action from my side with the initial divorce. After I got _____ and I settled I proceeded to file paperwork to get my child support raised due to all of the Petitioners income was not being calculated into the judgment and to get my half of the retirement that I should have gotten. I ended up having to get a lawyer which was a waste of time and during the proceedings the only witnesses that were heard in court were the Petitioners. Mine were not allowed to speak. The child support did get raised but nothing else was done. The following court sessions I have been repeatedly telling the judge that there are issues

_____ The only thing that has been done is he got told to stop doing it and it was put in the court order. At the last hearing we had _____ stated in the court that _____ had never looked at any documents that I had submitted to the courts proving all my allegations and denied my half of the retirement and fined me for continuing to bring up these matters even though the Petitioner has been in contempt of court since original divorce. _____ also had a private session in her chambers _____ and all that was talked about was _____. During this session _____ ended up rewarding the Petitioner by giving him permission to claim my child on tax returns. The last session which was with _____ I was threatened with contempt of court and the Petitioner was not even though he has been in contempt of court from day one of the divorce and got me to agree to stuff under false pretense taking advantage of the fact that I don't have a lawyer. The Petitioner makes over _____ and has had wage increases since the last raise in child support and my child support payments went down. The Petitioner has never done anything except pay child support that he has been ordered to do by the courts but yet he still gets rewarded stuff in court and I get made out to be the typical ex-wife due to _____ and I believe that he is being protected not only by his lawyer but also by the courts. I expressed concern about making sure the previous concerns with

_____ was not to be left out of the court orders and I was told that the events from that day were additions to the current order. When I received the new orders everything except the counseling was removed from the order by his lawyer and the judge after telling me this would not happen signed them. I was told in court that I would be getting over _____ child support when in all actuality the child support was reduced to _____ even though the Petitioners wages are more due to the fact that the _____ of the Petitioners earnings that were only confirmed verbally there were no documentation and took the average to calculate the child support instead of the Petitioners actual salary. I was also never given a copy of the earnings statement from the Petitioner to see what his current wages are due to there was an increase in his salary _____. There was no solid evidence of what the Petitioners wages are it was all determined by what his lawyer wrote down on paper. I filed paperwork first for the child support order and the reply was it had already been signed which means I was not given the allotted amount of time to petition the order and then again after receiving the new order decree and have been totally ignored by the courts with the second one. I was also never given a copy by the Petitioners

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lawyers of the new orders before they were signed. The only time I saw these was when it was called a Lodging which was submitted before the court hearing. All his lawyer did was add to that and submit it to the courts without sending me a copy to be able to contest if need be. This is the second time she has done this where I have not been given court paperwork that she has filed. I have also recently found out that there is paperwork that has been taken out of the file since the case has been moved

None of the Petitioners wage statements are in there anymore as well as a lot of the incriminating evidence that I had submitted to the courts is no longer in the file. I have submitted proof that the Petitioner has been deceitful and he has lied under oath in court where a review of the original divorce decree should take place. All of this has been ignored and I have been fined and treated like garbage. In the mean time

I have requested multiple times for full custody to how Petitioner treats and all that happens is he gets told to go to counseling and he doesn't do that. has even written stuff to the judge which got ignored by the judge. An investigation needs to be done and something needs to happen to fix this due to the fact that there is an innocent child that has suffered tremendously due to the fact that the judges that have been involved in this case is doing nothing to help her and continuing to protect the Petitioner