

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 17-248

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged a superior court judge engaged in ex parte communications and made improper rulings in a dependency matter.

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

Commission member Anna Mary Glaab did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Dated: November 22, 2017

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ Margaret H. Downie

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Executive Director

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on November 22, 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.

Judge told _____ he wants her home too but made _____ a ruling he does not want her home while she was suffering over _____ weeks with _____ and continuous abuse as not being allowed to go to _____ until _____ came out of her.

Judge said parents do not belong in court repeatedly in different hearings while ruling parents belong in court.

Judge cannot differentiate time periods between when a baby is in mothers womb to today _____ later and will make rules from years past as if they were part of todays acts.

Judge Talked to prosecutor in case privately about personal information but did not allow defendent to speak to him including telling defendent I am not talking to you, showing bias and prejudice against defendents and family.

Judge had decided final ruling before hearing evidence from defendent. Judge said nothing new since last hearing at start of trial.

_____ told judge in trial _____ she did not want to go back to that _____ over and over sometimes leaving the word _____ out of of the sentence. Judge misunderstood her and thought she was talking about her parents home. Judge lacks knowledge and understanding in

kids and has admitted most cases are not related to defendents case. Also had trouble deciding if _____ should be allowed to be in court. Also judge does not understand relationship between father and child. Judge lacks understanding and care or feelings for _____ . Judge lacks any thought or care of _____ safety for her health and life as proven over the last _____ . Dates in court from weekly and monthly continuous hearings and trials _____ I have no faith or confidence in Judge _____ and wish for a retrial with a different judge and wish for him to recuse himself.