

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 17-288

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

The complainant alleged a superior court judge was unprepared for trial and ignored evidence in a family law 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 Colleen E. Concannon did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Dated: December 13, 2017

FOR THE COMMISSION

/s/ Margaret H. Downie

Margaret H. Downie

Executive Director

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on December 13, 2017.

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

2017-288

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.

In the case of _____ did not appear ready for trial of the morning of _____
_____. She almost allowed a witness _____ stay in the court room when she her self stated
that a witness of this type was suppose to leave the room. I had to correct her on that matter of law and I
was my own lawyer and I am not a lawyer. She did not properly have the witnesses identify themselves.
Her motion states that _____ was in the court room and he was not. My witness was _____
The judge was aware that one week before the trial I was incarcerated and that key evidence
was in custody of the _____. Despite that fact, she forced me to continue with the trial despite
not having all of the evidence that I wanted to present. I apologize for sounding flippant but the entire
proceeding seemed very shady and that _____ and her lawyer were allowed to present testimony
regarding my mental health that was hear say evidence and that _____ was continued to allow his
witnesses _____ to lie under oath. I had evidence to refute their statements
but _____ chose to ignore them in her ruling. Despite the fact that _____ has been
accused of child abuse and had a child drown under her care, _____ chose to reduce my rights to
my son. She ignored evidence that _____ illegally obtained the order of protection against me.
She chose to ignore evidence that establishes that _____ has been harassing me and has
physically abused me for over _____. Instead rebuking me for my mental health and stating in her
decision that I have to pay for a psychological evaluation. Something I have already done!

_____ decision was simply a rehashing of the _____ report that was done nearly :
and ignored the evidenced that I submitted. With something so important as a child's safety in the
balance I would have thought she would have taken more time than she did to hand down her ruling. She
returned her ruling in a matter of days making me think she barely took the time to crack open the file.

I am disappointed to say the least in the performance of _____ in regards to _____

This is my truthful statement.

Sincerely,



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