

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 22-274

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

April 20, 2023

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge denied her the right to counsel in a family case.

The role of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine whether a judicial officer has engaged in conduct that violates the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct or Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution. There must be clear and convincing evidence of such a violation in order for the Commission to take disciplinary action against a judicial officer.

The Commission does not have jurisdiction to overturn, amend, or remand a judicial officer's legal rulings. The Commission reviewed all relevant available information and concluded there was not clear and convincing evidence of ethical misconduct in this matter. The complaint is therefore dismissed pursuant to Commission Rules 16(a) and 23(a).

Commission members Denise K. Aguilar and Michael J. Brown did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 20, 2023.

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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.

This Honorable Judge, _____ overseen the granting of child support, arrears, and additional penalties without conducting an intrastate search on the custodial parent in the case. In doing so, this judge enabled the custodial to collect child support in both states/jurisdictions. Garnishing and ordering support when the proper procedures from the Arizona Child Support Guidelines were not followed. Violating the non custodial parents United States Constitutional Right to due process and also the Rules of Court set forth there in by the Arizona Supreme Court.