

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 24-157

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

August 30, 2024

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge acted with religious bias in a domestic 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 member Denise K. Aguilar did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on August 30, 2024.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name:

Judge's Name:

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Judge was very rude to me, I am a yr old man who can't hear well and I had just had a . Judge forced me to sign over my personal property to my ex-wife, even though it was belongings I had years prior to the marriage. He gave her items that were mv familv's airlooms and the only belongings I had left from my parents. His statement was that " " and threatened me with arrest if I did not sign them over. I still have not been able to collect what I was awarded in the divorce. I had proof that I owed all this stuff prior to the marriage. He also gave her all of the horses that were mine, even though I told the judge she was not capable of caring for them. A few months later, animal control was called because the horses had been starved and had to be put down. These horses were worth thousands of dollars and I had spent years training them. I was treated terrible in court and I know this was due to religious prejudice.

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