

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 24-484

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

February 28, 2025

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge refused to allow a pro se defendant to speak but instead allowed advisory counsel to speak in a criminal 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 February 28, 2025.

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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.

on the dates of _____ and _____
I was in Judge _____ court with Advisory
Counsel _____ whom I have been trying to dismiss.
I am pro-se representing myself and seeking
a rule 11g evaluation, on both of these
occasions Judge _____ shut me down when
I tried to speak, (I did make sure he knew that
I was pro-se) and let Advisory
speak on my behalf and regarding
my status and wishes for my case.
Advisory _____ had no permission to
speak for me, I tried to stop him, yet
Judge _____ allowed it, and admonished
me. Thus violating my constitutional
rights to represent-my-self.
I want these incidents noted on my court
record appropriately, and punitive remedies for
this conduct as well. Thank you!