

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-041

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

April 18, 2025

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge (now retired) failed to provide her with appropriate medical treatment.

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 allegations of the complaint in this matter solely raised disagreements with legal rulings. The Commission does not have jurisdiction to overturn, amend, or remand a judicial officer's legal rulings. "A good faith error of fact or law does not violate this rule. However, a pattern of legal error or an intentional disregard of the law may constitute misconduct." *See* comment 3 to Rule 2.2 of the Code of Judicial conduct. Any violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct must be proven by clear and convincing evidence.

A mistake in a ruling does not automatically mean that the judicial officer has engaged in judicial misconduct. Judicial officers are required to exercise their discretion in making their decisions. Even if a judicial officer's decision is legally or factually incorrect, the ruling is generally considered to be "legal error" and not "ethical misconduct" that the Commission can address. When a complaint to the Commission solely relates to the correctness of a judicial officer's legal decisions, the Complainant is seeking the Commission to function in the capacity of an appellate court. Correcting legal errors is the role of the appellate courts, not the Commission.

The Commission is a regulatory body with limited jurisdiction. The Commission is not a court, and as such, it does not have any authority to overturn a judicial officer's rulings, intervene in a case, assign a new judge to hear a case, or award any monetary or other relief. The Commission process cannot be a substitute for seeking appellate review.

The Commission reviewed all information submitted by the Complainant 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).

A Duty Panel comprised of Commission members Denise K. Aguilar, Colleen E. Concannon, and Joseph C. Kreamer considered this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 18, 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.

_____ - Case sexual assault AA /
 _____ - Case sexual assault AA /
 _____ - Case sexual assault AA / (car accident)

Judge - is the worst "Judge" -
 did not get me medical / 9/11 to hospital ->
 when it was a medical call she
 does not ask the "client" any
 info if they need meds or have
 medical health problems -
 she did not ask the lawyer if the
 lawyer even "worked" got any info
 for my side - time lawyer talked to client: log
 she had neglected people - need to
 see case lead as to who should have
 gotten overdose treatment -
 I had major head injury from car
 accident - R/

code Blue

Need BMT

Felony
neglect

not # police car accident

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Case Information:

Case Number: _____
 Title: STATE OF ARIZONA vs _____
 Court: Justice
 Judge: _____
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 Disposition Date: _____

Citation Count	DEFENDANT - D1	Description	Disp. Date	Disposition	Date of Birth:
AZ02888 1		CRIM TRESP 1ST DEG-UNLAWFULLY REMAIN IN RES STRUCT		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 2		MARIJUANA-POSSES/USE		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 3		***		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 4		***		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 5		THEFT CREDIT CARD-CONTROL		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 6		THEFT CREDIT CARD-CONTROL		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 7		***		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 8		***		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 9		CRIMINAL DAMAGE DEFACE		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 10		***		M3-Bound Over To	Court
AZ02888 11		CRIM TRESP 1ST DEG RES STRUCT		M3-Bound Over To	Court
STATE OF ARIZONA PLAINTIFF - P1					

Case Activity

Date	Description	Party
	Case WorkSheet Event	D1
	DISPOSITION UPDATED: M3-BOUND OVER TO COURT. DATE:	D1
	Scheduling event generated for @	D1
	Scheduling event generated for @	P1
	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE CONTINUED TO AT IN DI	D1
	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE CONTINUED TO AT IN DI	P1
	CORRESPONDENCE	
	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE CONTINUED TO AT IN DI	D1
	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE CONTINUED TO AT IN DI	P1
	TELEPHONE	D1
	ADDRESS CHANGE	
	FOLDER CHECKED IN / OUT	
	CORRESPONDENCE	
	As Filed Correction on the charge	D1
	Case WorkSheet Event	D1
	DISPOSITION UPDATED: 59-JUDGMENT/CONVICTION SET ASIDE. DATE:	D1
	JUDGMENT SET ASIDE	D1
	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULED ON AT IN DI	D1
	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULED ON AT IN DI	P1
	MISCELLANEOUS	D1
	Case WorkSheet Event	D1
	DISPOSITION SET: M3-BOUND OVER TO COURT. DATE:	D1
	HEARING VACATED: AT IN DIVISION I	D1
	HEARING VACATED: AT IN DIVISION I	P1
	FOLDER CHECKED IN / OUT	
	MOTION - GRANTED	

- **Legal repercussions:** The patient or their family might file a medical malpractice lawsuit against the EMS agency, alleging negligence due to the failure to arrive at the scene in a timely manner.

Important factors to consider:



case example emt did not arriv X



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- **Staffing issues:** Shortage of available ambulances or personnel could have impacted response time.

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Texas Medical Liability Trust

<https://hub.tmlt.org> > case-studies > failure-to-admit-pat... ⋮

Case study: Failure to admit patient following MVA | TMLT

The patient **did not** experience loss of consciousness, hypotension, or respiratory distress at the scene of the **accident** or during transport to the ED. Physician ...

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Do EMTs respond to car accidents?

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National Institutes of Health (NIH) (.gov)

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A 24-year-old Female Traumatic Patient Following a Car ...

by A Akhgar · 2018 – A healthy 24-year-old female presented at the emergency department (ED) after a **car accident** with ambulance while injured severely after the bus got run over ...

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Not an EMT, but I need to know if I did the right thing at this ...

She tried to get out the **vehicle** but I told her the best thing for her to **do was** stay still until **EMS arrives**.

By now another person **had** pulled ...

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A case example of an EMT failing to arrive at a car accident could involve a situation where an ambulance crew is dispatched to a reported serious motor vehicle collision, but due to a navigation error, traffic congestion, or a misunderstanding of the location, they fail to reach the scene within a reasonable time frame, resulting in delayed medical care for injured individuals at the accident site, potentially worsening their condition.

Key elements of such a case could include:

Severe accident:

A high-impact car crash with multiple injured occupants requiring immediate medical attention.

Dispatch error:

The EMS dispatcher may have incorrectly relayed the accident location or severity of injuries, leading to a delayed response.

Navigation issues:

The ambulance crew might have taken a wrong turn due to faulty GPS or unfamiliarity with the area, causing significant time delays.

Traffic congestion:

Heavy traffic in the area could have significantly slowed down the ambulance's arrival time.

Lack of communication:

Failure to properly update the dispatcher regarding delays or issues on the way to the scene, leading to further delays in getting backup assistance.

Potential consequences of such a situation:

- **Aggravated injuries:** If critical medical care is not provided promptly, the injured individuals could suffer more severe complications due to the delay.
- **Patient death:** In extreme cases, a delay in medical attention could lead to a fatality.

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A house title signifies legal ownership of a property. By forging the deed to a home, a fraudster can illegally transfer ownership of a home into their name and claim they hold title to it. Then, they can sell the home and take the cash before the buyer catches onto the scam. Or, they might take out loans against the property they wo...
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13-2310 - Fraudulent schemes and artifices; classification; definition

Fraudulent schemes and artifices; classification; definition. A. Any person who, pursuant to a scheme or artifice to defraud, knowingly obtains any benefit by means of false or fraudulent ...

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