

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 21-030

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

April 7, 2021

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge was biased against her and improperly denied her request to modify orders in a family law matter.

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 Roger D. Barton and Louis Frank Dominguez did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 7, 2021.

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21-030

**COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Judge's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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There has been a terrible injustice committed by Judge \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ County Court.

On \_\_\_\_\_ an Evidentiary Emergency Hearing was set before Judge \_\_\_\_\_ I requested this hearing so that my daughter \_\_\_\_\_ (age \_\_\_\_\_) could receive the proper treatment for her depression; my ex-husband was not following her pediatrician's recommendations for counseling. My daughter scored a \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ test which assesses the degree of depression one is experiencing. My ex-husband demonstrated extreme neglect and concern in this area. I further requested this hearing so that a change in legal decision making and custody could immediately be amended. After phone call after phone, audio and text messages, and snap chats from the children, pleading with me to help them, pleading with me to have them removed from my ex-husband's care, I figured, the Judge would allow the children to speak to a court-appointed advisor or a Guardian Ad Litem, but he denied that.

Once Judge \_\_\_\_\_ heard Attorney \_\_\_\_\_ interrogating me concerning child support and the fact that I was in arrears or frankly never paid him the ordered \$ \_\_\_\_\_ child support, it was as if Judge \_\_\_\_\_ immediately cast judgment upon me and therefore showed major bias. Although, I was delinquent, that did not merit Judge \_\_\_\_\_ to depict my character as horrible/deadbeat mom or woman - he knows nothing of me: Judge \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't know what I have been through; Judge \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't know that I am a victim of \_\_\_\_\_ emotional, mental and verbal abuse; Judge \_\_\_\_\_ never gave me a chance to do anything. How could Judge \_\_\_\_\_ deny a request to modify without any facts or without a proper hearing?

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ denied all of my requests. In his ruling, he ordered that \_\_\_\_\_ continue with counseling. As soon as this court hearing was over and as soon as Judge \_\_\_\_\_ gave his rulings, my ex-husband withdrew \_\_\_\_\_ from all counseling. I was contacted (as a courtesy) by the counseling agency via email wherein they indicated they were withdrawing \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_ request. Clearly, my ex-husband was trying to look good in court, and made me out to be the horrible absent parent. It was all a farce.

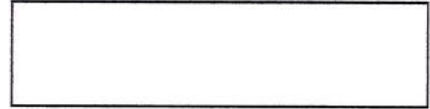
This hearing was solely for emergency purposes and at which time, my attorney \_\_\_\_\_ was seeking on my behalf to have a modification hearing to cover the parenting plan, the child support, and legal decision making. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ denied a future hearing - Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is unaware of the issues involving my ex-husband and I; he doesn't know the reason for my CS arrears; Judge \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't know that \_\_\_\_\_ has lied in a court about his income, his assets, and his financial stature. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ disregarded my children's pleas for help - not allowing them to speak with a court-appointed advisor. For no unjustifiable reason Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is not allowing me to present my case for modification which I am entitled to; he is violating my rights and my children's rights. Why is he denying reinstating my case? Why is he denying my ability to seek modification? How can a judge make a decision without substantial evidence? Why would Judge \_\_\_\_\_ not allow the children to speak to a court-appointed advisor?

I am extremely disappointed with our justice system - it is totally flawed - this is an injustice to my children, to me, and to anyone else who is suffering as a result of terrible and unjustifiable rulings. My children ages 17, 13, 11 are old enough to tell the courts what they want and why; they are old enough to expose their dad regarding the mental, verbal, and emotional abuse they experience and live with on a

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daily basis.

Why did Judge \_\_\_\_\_ not allow them to speak? Did Judge \_\_\_\_\_ feel sorry or empathetic for \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
\_\_\_\_\_ portrayed himself as a single dad and portrayed me as the horrible mother who abandoned her  
children to move to \_\_\_\_\_ - is this the reason for the biased decision and ruling? Yes, this is exactly  
why Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is bias because he believed the lies.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has no idea what has really happened: Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has no idea that I did not abandon my  
children; Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has no idea of the horrible and spiteful and vindictive things \_\_\_\_\_ has done to  
me. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ never gave me a chance to do anything, nor did he give my children a chance to be  
heard; for my children to be happy; for my children to be free from any form of abuse.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ failed us; this court system failed us. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ clearly has a poor judgment of character.  
Please know should anything happen to any of my children as a result of his ruling, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ will have  
to live with that the rest of his life - a guilty conscience.

Your community should not want family law judge who doesn't look out for the best interest of the  
family/children.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ should not be entitled to make any furrher rulings on any case unless he has substantiated  
evidence, facts, proof, or the like.

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is a disgrace to any court system. There is no more faith that a \_\_\_\_\_ will make the proper  
ruling. Do Family law judges truly care about the children? Based on \_\_\_\_\_ ruling, it doesn't appear  
to be that way. By Judge \_\_\_\_\_ denying and violating my children's rights, this appears to be no different  
than the abused children that DCS ignores and keeps with abusers until it's too late.

My entire family, my lawyer, my co-workers, we are all in total disbelief - how can you allow Judge  
to make such ruling? How can your court system disregard the pleas for help from my children? How can  
the court silence my dear children?

Tell me where is the JUSTICE?



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**Fwd:**

3 messages

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To:

The judge denied your motion to reinstate the case. I'm going to look into what your other options are.

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From:  
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Subject:  
To:

Cc:

Good morning,

Judge has issued a ruling on the Respondent's Motion for Clarification Regarding Minute Entry Filed  
The ruling will be issued in a minute entry and it will read as follows: It is ordered denying Respondent's Motion for Relief from Judgment/Order and affirming the Courts prior orders. It is further ordered vacating the Status Conference set for

Thank you,

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To:  
Cc:

Bcc:

Good morning,

There was also a request to modify child support as there have been substantial and continuing changes, including a child turning . The temporary orders proceeding did not address child support at all, so can the judge clarify how this will be handled moving forward?

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Draft To:

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Pose



this. You all see this before your eyes. You deserve to  
Conversations u don't deserve to suffer because he is  
miserable. This is why I couldn't be with him, he was

Messages • 13m

I don't want to live here mommy

- Why not?
- Why?
- What's wrong?
- What?

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