

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 24-170

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

August 30, 2024

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge made improper rulings, showed bias, improperly excluded certain evidence, and did not afford him an opportunity to be heard 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 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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2024-170

**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.

Dear Commission Members,

I am writing to file a formal complaint against Judge \_\_\_\_\_ regarding what I perceive to be violations of the Arizona Child Support Guidelines and potential judicial bias, which have significantly affected the handling of my case,

**Allegations of Non-Compliance with Child Support Guidelines:**

The Arizona Child Support Guidelines, specifically Section 2, state that all sources of income should be considered in the calculation of child support. Despite substantial evidence presented, including documentation of petitioners withdrawals & income from her trust and investment accounts, her second job & her rental property income \_\_\_\_\_ ignored these. My personal finances, bank statements, medical diagnosis, employment history/status where all ignored which aided in violating this guideline.

**Concerns of Judicial Bias:**

During the proceedings, I believe Judge \_\_\_\_\_ exhibited a bias against me by refusing to allow critical financial evidence into the record, specifically regarding the income from the other party's secondary employment and substantial trust withdrawals. Furthermore, rental income was also not adequately considered in the child support calculations. Furthermore, \_\_\_\_\_ allowed a vast discrepancy between petitioners AFI and what he allowed them to put into the child support worksheet which was much lower.

**Exclusion of Evidence:**

Vital evidence presented was purportedly rejected and not admitted into the record, which has led to a child support order that imposes an undue financial burden on me, contrary to the evidence of my current financial and mental health situation.

**Impact of Judicial Orders:**

The orders issued by Judge \_\_\_\_\_ have caused severe financial, emotional, and spiritual distress, culminating in my inability to afford housing and resulting in my residing with my parents. My Family, life, liberty and property have been unfairly taken away by

**Denial of Due Process:**

There seems to have been an incident where I was not given the opportunity to present my testimony or evidence on \_\_\_\_\_, which led to an order that had a detrimental impact on my life. Additionally, Petitioner had me falsely arrested and subsequent custody issues were addressed in a manner that prevented me from seeing my minor child for an extended period, further compounding the emotional distress. \_\_\_\_\_ has limited my 3 hour 2x a week calls to only 30 minutes on the request of petitioner without reasonable provocation further impacting my emotional distress. Now he has denied me the right to even submit new motions in order to defend myself.

In light of these concerns, I urge the Commission to thoroughly investigate the conduct of Judge \_\_\_\_\_ in the above-mentioned case. The U.S. Constitution, state laws, and ethical guidelines mandate a fair and impartial judiciary, which I believe has not been upheld in my situation. I submit my entire case history as evidence along with transcripts of each hearing (Please find and review). Please note 2 other judges have heard this case and had drastically different opinions and rulings than

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