

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 24-350

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

December 20, 2024

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge failed to timely rule on a motion to compel.

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 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 Denise K. Aguilar, Colleen E. Concannon, Joseph C. Kreamer, Regina L. Nassen, and Delia R. Neal did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on December 20, 2024.

## 1. Introduction

This disciplinary investigation concerns Judge \_\_\_\_\_ failure to respond to a Motion to Compel filed by \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Court in Arizona, around \_\_\_\_\_. Despite multiple follow-up requests, the motion has remained unaddressed for over \_\_\_\_\_ days, causing significant delays in the proceedings and raising concerns about the administration of justice.

## 2. Background

In \_\_\_\_\_ filed a Motion to Compel with the \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Court in \_\_\_\_\_ Arizona. The motion seeks assistance with three ongoing issues related to a sealed name change obtained in \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ Arizona. The name change was sealed and removed from the public docket due to concerns for the safety of \_\_\_\_\_ and his family.

However, several entities, including the \_\_\_\_\_ School District, and the \_\_\_\_\_ at the Arizona \_\_\_\_\_ Court, have not complied with the court order. Despite following the correct legal procedures, these organizations have failed to respect the sealed name change order, while other entities have complied without issue.

Attached to this complaint is a copy of the Motion to Compel and all relevant email communications with Judge \_\_\_\_\_ office. These documents demonstrate the lack of response from the judge's office, even after requests to speak directly with the judge were denied. The ongoing issues with the sealed name change continue to cause significant problems for \_\_\_\_\_ who does not wish to maintain two identities. It is crucial that this matter is resolved to ensure compliance with the court order.

Despite the motion being properly filed and mailed to all relevant parties, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has not issued a ruling on the motion. Follow-up inquiries were made in \_\_\_\_\_ and

yet no response has been received, and the motion has now been pending for over \_\_\_\_\_ days.

### 3. Concerns

The extended delay in responding to the Motion to Compel has caused undue hardship for \_\_\_\_\_, who cannot move forward with his case until a ruling is made on this motion. This inaction raises serious concerns about Judge \_\_\_\_\_ adherence to the standards of judicial conduct, specifically the expectation that judges will manage their dockets efficiently and respond to motions in a timely manner. The failure to address this motion jeopardizes the fairness and integrity of the judicial process and exacerbates the ongoing issue of maintaining two identities.

\_\_\_\_\_ seeks relief so that he no longer has to explain or defend his sealed name change when applying for jobs or engaging with government agencies. To protect his identity and safety, this complaint should be treated as confidential under Confidential Matters Rule 9(b).

### 4. Request for Investigation

Given the circumstances, we respectfully request that the Commissioner's Office initiate a formal investigation into Judge \_\_\_\_\_ handling of this case. We seek a resolution that includes an immediate ruling on the Motion to Compel and a review of Judge \_\_\_\_\_ overall docket management to ensure that such delays do not recur. Should the investigation find that the judge's inaction constitutes a breach of judicial conduct, we urge the imposition of appropriate disciplinary measures.

### 5. Conclusion

The delay in ruling on the Motion to Compel has not only hindered the progress of this particular case but also raises broader concerns about the administration of justice. A

timely investigation and resolution are essential to restore confidence in the court's ability to manage its cases fairly and efficiently.

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About:

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_



**COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE**

Name:

Judge's Name:  ?

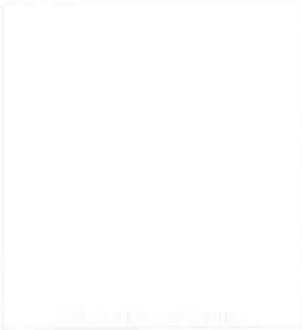
**Instructions:** Use this form or plain paper of the same size to file a complaint. Describe in your own words what you believe the judge did that constitutes judicial misconduct. Be specific and list all of the names, dates, times, and places that will help the commission understand your concerns. 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.

I submitted an, "MOTION TO Compel" for assistance with three issues related to my sealed name change, which was granted by the court in Arizona, around due to my life and Family's life being in danger, despite the name change being sealed and off public docket as a court order, the <sup>School</sup> of the Avicoma District, and the <sup>The</sup> court in Arizona have not complied with the court order. All other entities have followed the court order without any issues.

I am providing your office with copies of the "MOTION TO Compel" request, and all email exchanged with the Judge's office or their secretary to aid in your investigation on this matter. I believe the situation response should be universal & honored in the motions requested. In my email correspondence, I requested a verbal hearing with the Judge (at one point), which was denied. The ongoing issues with my sealed name change continue to create complications, and I seek to resolve this to ensure I have only one identity moving forward.

Thank you

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## COURT OF ARIZONA COUNTY

In the Matter of the of: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Number CV: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion to Compel

\_\_\_\_\_  
X an Adult

I respectfully request the Court's assistance in the purpose and scope of my sealed name change order, which is essential for my physical protection. I urge for the update of all my records to reflect my current identity, as mandated by the sealed name change. Despite assurances from the \_\_\_\_\_ office regarding the nondisclosure of my name change, I faced humiliation when seeking a license from the \_\_\_\_\_ Court due to the misunderstanding of the order. The \_\_\_\_\_'s failure to adhere to the court order since \_\_\_\_\_ has resulted in ongoing challenges, including Difficulties in securing employment with \_\_\_\_\_ and the reluctance of the Ombudsman to intervene. Despite my efforts to explain the necessity of updating my records for personal safety, there remains a lack of understanding among relevant authorities. I have diligently pursued a resolution, even updating my birth certificate in \_\_\_\_\_ to comply with \_\_\_\_\_ requirements. However, recent correspondence from the \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrates a continued disregard for the court order's implications for my safety. Furthermore, the \_\_\_\_\_ School District's refusal to update my high school diploma underscores the widespread misunderstanding of the sealed name change order significance. By seeking the Court's clarification of this order, I hope to prevent future misunderstandings and rectify the injustices. I have faced, the denial of licenses and the defamation of my character due to misconceptions about my sealed name change.

My last email from the \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) about this sealed name change:

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I emailed \_\_\_\_\_ again after this email in how this is a sealed name change and that the record update is for my physical safety from someone that I had to get the sealed name change in the first place. Got a call from the \_\_\_\_\_ and they told me they could not help from this point on because they do not understand the name change order as well. I told the \_\_\_\_\_ that I would request the court to please define this court order at this time.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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COMPLAINT IN THIS MATTER,  
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THE COMMISSION CASE  
NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.**