

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 25-003

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Judge:

Complainants:

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**ORDER**

May 16, 2025

The Complainants alleged a superior court commissioner was biased and stormed out of the courtroom.

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 and Regina L. Nassen did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on May 16, 2025.

2025-003

**COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE**

Name: [Redacted] Judge's Name: [Redacted]

**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.

Judicial Conduct Committee

Subject: Formal Complaint Against [Redacted]

Dear Members of the Judicial Conduct Committee:

I, [Redacted] am writing to formally lodge a complaint regarding the conduct of [Redacted] who presided over [Redacted] in [Redacted] Court on [Redacted].

I believe the actions taken by [Judge's Name] during these proceedings constitute judicial misconduct, procedural error, discrimination. Failure to act in a manner fit for a judge when the (Defendant [Redacted] was unsure of what the judge wanted from him) and a failure to uphold impartiality and due process.

Background Information

Provide a brief summary of the case:

Parties involved

[Redacted]

Court Information : Arizona [Redacted] Court. [Redacted]

Case timeline: Throughout our many hearing with Judge [Redacted] there has been significant bias towards [Redacted] including not recognizing that [Redacted] father threatened and verbally suited [Redacted] and [Redacted] and at one point threatening to kill them. This has been dismissed by the Judge. The Judge also stormed out of the court room because [Redacted] was not sure why he was being asked to furnish copy 's of his probation mandated drug testing directly to [Redacted] he was concerned because the amount of P.M.I in that paperwork including his social security number. Judge [Redacted] was quick to anger and would not provide a alternative or willing to discuss this matter. [Redacted] was upset and crying when trying to explain that probation (who has already testified in an earlier hearing) did not want to be apart of this case. Also [Redacted] took a global pleas in the car accident case; although that please agreement stated [Redacted] could not be charged in addition to things not admitted. Judge [Redacted] continues to use [Redacted] and [Redacted]'s children to punish [Redacted].

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to file a formal complaint against Judge \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ Court Judge located at the \_\_\_\_\_ Courthouse. I believe the judge has demonstrated bias and conduct that is inappropriate for an impartial judicial officer in the custody case involving my children, case number \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of the Complaint

1. Bias in Rulings:

During emergency custody hearings where I was not present, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ appears to have relied solely on testimony from my ex-husband, \_\_\_\_\_ to make decisions that significantly impacted my custody rights.

Despite evidence I have submitted to the court, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has consistently refused to consider it or to allow my current husband, \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in decisions concerning reunification with my children.

2. Unprofessional Behavior in Court:

At a hearing on \_\_\_\_\_ Judge \_\_\_\_\_ became visibly agitated with \_\_\_\_\_. When \_\_\_\_\_ was called to address whether he would provide copies of his drug test results to my ex-husband, the judge refused to hear him, stormed out of the courtroom, and ordered \_\_\_\_\_ to be removed. \_\_\_\_\_ was never given the opportunity to reenter or provide testimony.

3. Contradictory Rulings:

During the \_\_\_\_\_ hearing, my ex-husband \_\_\_\_\_ and I both agreed to a gradual transition back to a week-on/week-off custody arrangement, including the reunification of \_\_\_\_\_ with my children.

Despite our agreement, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ ruled that I would only have custody of my children for two weekends per month, allowing \_\_\_\_\_ to be present during this limited time. This decision directly contradicted the mutual agreement we reached in court.

Judicial Conduct Committee

Subject: Formal Complaint Against Judge

Dear Members of the Judicial Conduct Committee,

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am writing to formally lodge a complaint regarding the conduct of Judge \_\_\_\_\_, who presided over Case No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ Court on \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. I believe Judge \_\_\_\_\_ actions constitute judicial misconduct, procedural error, discrimination, and a failure to uphold impartiality and due process.

Background Information

Parties Involved:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Defendant)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Defendant's Wife)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Plaintiff)

## Court Information:

Arizona Court

## Case Summary:

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has displayed significant bias throughout the proceedings, favoring the plaintiff, \_\_\_\_\_. Despite documented threats of violence from father against me and my wife, \_\_\_\_\_, these serious concerns have been dismissed. The judge has also ignored evidence of \_\_\_\_\_ substance abuse and mental health challenges, which directly impact the safety of the children involved in this case.

Furthermore, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ abruptly left the courtroom during a hearing after I expressed concerns about providing my probation drug test results to the plaintiff due to sensitive personal information (e.g., my Social Security number). This incident exemplifies his unwillingness to address reasonable objections or provide alternative solutions.

## Specific Complaints

### 1. Exclusion from the Courtroom:

On \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, I was excluded from the courtroom during critical portions of the case despite being a witness. Upon my return, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ required me to furnish drug test results directly to \_\_\_\_\_, disregarding privacy concerns and HIPAA regulations. When I raised objections, he became visibly irate and abruptly exited the courtroom.

## 2. Denial of Fair Participation:

I attempted to clarify my role in the case and address legal inconsistencies with my probation officer, \_\_\_\_\_ but the judge refused to provide explanations or address these concerns. This denial of fair participation has severely impacted my ability to defend myself and my family.

## 3. Bias and Retaliatory Decisions:

Judge \_\_\_\_\_ imposed unwarranted restrictions on visitation rights for \_\_\_\_\_, limiting her to supervised visits of only three hours per week without substantial evidence to justify such limitations. This decision was based on allegations from unrelated parties without criminal charges or evidence.

## 4. Failure to Impose Consequences for Substance Abuse:

Despite a failed hair follicle test for \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_, verified by \_\_\_\_\_, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ accepted contradictory results from an unverified facility in \_\_\_\_\_. This raises concerns about the authenticity of the test results and the judge's selective acceptance of evidence.

## 5. Permitting Dangerous Circumstances:

Despite being aware of \_\_\_\_\_ bipolar diagnosis and his father's threats against my family, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has allowed \_\_\_\_\_ to retain possession of multiple firearms, including an \_\_\_\_\_. This decision compromises the safety of all parties involved.

## 6. Dismissal of Abuse Allegations:

The judge has ignored \_\_\_\_\_ testimony regarding the emotional, verbal, and physical abuse she suffered during her marriage to \_\_\_\_\_, including threats to

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NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.**