

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-081

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

June 10, 2025

The Complainant alleged a city court judge ordered fingerprints taken and threatened to take him to jail to if he failed to comply in a criminal case.

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 Choose an item 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 June 10, 2025.

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2025-081

COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name:

[Redacted Name]

Judge's Name:

[Redacted 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.

On [Redacted] of [Redacted]. I was racial profiled, police brutality, nearly got killed by racist and prejudiced police officers for committing no crime all because I am [Redacted] driving [Redacted] night. I was charged with ARS 28-1381A1-DUI;ALCOHOL,DRUGS,TOXIC VAPOR OR COMB ,ARS 28-1381A3-DUI DRUGS OR METABOLITE (13-3401), ARS 13-2412A OBSTRUCTION-REFUSE TRUE NAME,ARS 28-1595B-FAILURE TO SHOW DRIVERS LICENCE,ARS 13-2508A3-RESISTING ARREST,ARS 28-693-RECKLESS DRIVING .CASE NO. [Redacted].

I hired a private attorney who charge me [Redacted] and paid him [Redacted]. I instructed my attorney to prepare for jury trial but he demand me to pay the him the rest of the fee remaining [Redacted] before he start the preparation for the trial .so I requested the court to grant me 30-60 days extention to raise the money but the judge denial my request and discharged my private attorney I trusted and forced me to use the court appointed attorney , even though I don't trust the court appointed attorney and I did not ask or request one. [Redacted] was appointed to represent me but due to his horrible biased,disrespectful attutide and clearly showing that he does not have my best interest and does not want to go to trial for justice as I requested. he constantly convining me to take a plea which I reiected and request the court for his removal. a new court appointed attorney was appointed [Redacted].she also refused to do my will as I requested her multiple that I want to go to jury trial in the best interest of justice but continually threaten me that I should be expected to be convicted if I go to trial .Moreover before her appointment the judge warned ,threaten me to listen ,obey and work with her which is unfair and unreasonable to me .she also presented a similar or same plea that was presented to me by [Redacted] only this time I don't have to pay any money and NO FINGERPRINTING she insisted . she told me to plea for guilty for REFUSE TRUE NAME, I told her No I am not guilty of any charges and rejected,I ask her for a jury trial ,she told ME again and agan that I should be expected to be convicted if we go to trial .that disturb me and worried me as the judge as already threaten and warned me to obey and worked with her .I end up taking the the plea which is against my will and for the best interest of my [Redacted] year Son .she told to plea NO CONTEST for REFUSE TRUE NAME .Currently the Judge is demanding me to take a fingerprinting which against my will and is not part of the plea, I have explained and file multiple motion that mislead, there is a convincing evidence that I was misled , tricked ,deceived and lie too by the court appointed attorney which I did not requested but forced or pushed on me by the court .In the best interest of justice I deserve fair,just hearing as my constutional and civil right has be violated .

On [Redacted] at [Redacted]. I was summoned and I appear before Judge [Redacted],he threatened me to obey and do the fingerprinting if not he will send me to jail in order to get my fingerprinting or issue a warrant for my arrest .that is abuse of power, injustice ,baised and violation of my constitutional and civil right. he is not a natural, not a good judge but in the pocket prosecutor .he is helping the state to win and protecting corrupt police officers and bad court officers .I have done an appeal but refuse to move or send my case to [Redacted] court for justice .enough of the harasement and threat I pray for justice .I have requested for a fair and just hearing on the ground ineffective of an attorney but he denial all my motion .

[Redacted] LIFE MATTER .