

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-094

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

July 11, 2025

The Complainant alleged a superior court commissioner was biased towards attorneys and people of privilege, accepted the perjury of the opposing party, and made erroneous rulings. Complainant also alleges he could not access the court docket in an order of protection.

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

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on July 11, 2025.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: [] Judge's Name: []

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Bias and Exposure of Systemic Legal Manipulation
 During the hearing on [], Judge [] made statements and exhibited behavior that revealed the inherent bias within the judicial system toward individuals with legal privileges, including those with attorneys, financial resources, or personal connections within the legal community. His statements and actions during the hearing demonstrated a willingness to uphold systemic inequities rather than ensure a fair and impartial process.

One of the most troubling aspects of Judge [] conduct was his open acknowledgment in court that attorneys manipulate the judicial process to their advantage. By doing so, he not only exposed the biased nature of the legal system but also failed to take any action to mitigate its impact in the proceedings before him. Instead, he accepted and condoned this practice, creating an environment where the legal process was shaped by procedural tactics and privilege rather than truth and justice.

Judicial Interference and Procedural Bias
 Beyond these statements, Judge [] demonstrated clear favoritism toward the opposing party, [], and her legal representation. His actions included:

- 1. Improper Interruption of Cross-Examination and Witness Coaching**
 - During my cross-examination of Mother, she became visibly distressed, contradicted herself, and began crying, at which point Judge [] halted the proceedings, allowing her to compose herself before continuing her testimony.
 - The judge then engaged in direct discussion with Mother's attorney, after which the attorney provided instructions or coaching to Mother before she resumed testifying.
 - This intervention shielded Mother from difficult questioning, disrupted the natural flow of cross-examination, and provided an unfair opportunity for the witness to recalibrate her testimony. A judge's role is to remain neutral, not to intervene in a way that benefits one side. His actions constitute judicial bias and violate principles of due process.
- 2. Failure to Address False Testimony and Perjury**
 - I submitted dashcam footage that directly refuted Mother's testimony regarding the vehicle-blocking incident.
 - Despite clear evidence that her testimony was false, Judge []
 - Failed to acknowledge the perjury
 - Did not strike the false testimony from the record
 - Did not issue sanctions for providing knowingly false statements under oath
 - This failure allowed perjured testimony to stand, impacting the outcome of the case and further demonstrating judicial disregard for factual accuracy.
 - Furthermore, Judge [] failure to perform his judicial duties enabled Mother and her attorneys to continue their pattern of abuse against me and my children, as they face no accountability for their actions.

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3. Abdicating Judicial Responsibility by Deferring to Precedent
- Instead of conducting an independent review of the evidence, Judge _____ relied on the existence of a prior Order of Protection as the basis for granting the current one.
- - This approach neglected his responsibility to examine the facts and determine whether an Order of Protection was justified based on current evidence.
By defaulting to past rulings, Judge _____ effectively eliminated my ability to challenge the legitimacy of this new order, violating fundamental due process rights.

4. Encouraging Misuse of the Order of Protection for Legal Leverage
- When I requested clarification on whether Mother could communicate with me regarding our children, Judge _____ explicitly advised that he would recommend she refuse all communication, even though the Order of Protection explicitly allows co-parenting communication.
- This judicial advice not only contradicts the court's own orders but suggests an improper use of the Order of Protection as a tool for parental obstruction, rather than for legitimate safety concerns.
- The judge's statement indicates a pattern of bias against the non-petitioning party, reinforcing a legal strategy rather than ensuring fair application of the law.

Additional Due Process Violation - Inaccessible Court Records
I have been unable to fully review the docket because it was provided in an inaccessible digital format, requiring decryption or technical knowledge beyond standard legal review capabilities.
The court's failure to provide an accessible transcript obstructs my ability to appeal or challenge the ruling, compounding the due process violations already present in this case.
This lack of transparency further limits my ability to hold the court accountable for judicial misconduct.

Conclusion
Judge _____ statements and actions in this case not only expose systemic bias and judicial indifference to legal manipulation, but they actively contributed to an unjust legal outcome. His willingness to intervene on behalf of one party, permit perjured testimony, and uphold legal privilege rather than objective evidence raises serious concerns about his ability to serve as an impartial judge.

I respectfully request that the Commission review Judge _____ conduct and determine whether his actions align with the ethical and procedural standards expected of the judiciary.

Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct
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Re: Complaint Against Honorable

Dear Members of the Commission,

I am submitting the enclosed judicial complaint regarding Honorable _____ conduct during a hearing for an Order of Protection on _____ (Case No. _____). I believe Judge _____ actions compromised the fairness and impartiality of the proceedings, and I respectfully request an investigation into whether his conduct aligns with the ethical and procedural standards expected of the judiciary.

In my complaint, I have outlined **several serious concerns**, including:

- **Judicial interference in cross-examination**, improperly halting my questioning and allowing witness coaching.
- **Failure to address false testimony**, despite clear exculpatory evidence presented during the hearing.
- **Abdication of judicial responsibility**, where Judge _____ relied on past rulings rather than assessing current evidence.
- **Encouragement of actions contradicting Family Court orders and Arizona law**, affecting my parental rights and responsibilities.
- **Bias and improper legal guidance**, where the judge advised the opposing party's attorney on legal strategy in a way that undermined my ability to receive a fair hearing.

It is important to note that this case is **directly related to my ongoing Family Law matter, Case No. _____**.

Supporting Documents

To substantiate my claims, I have attached the following:

1. **Original Order of Protection (_____)**: Issued without the firearms provision noted.

2. **Amended Order of Protection** () : Issued without the firearms provision noted.
3. **Amended Order of Protection** () : Issued following a hearing consolidated with our Family Law case.
4. **Minute Entry from** () : Documenting the hearing proceedings.
5. **Copy of the Order of Protection ruling issued by Judge** () .
6. **Temporary Orders for the Family** () : Outlining the responsibilities of each party.
7. **Family Law Order for Sanctions:** Used by Mother's attorneys to portray me as a threat. A review will show the sanctions were procedural in nature, related only to a written settlement offer submission.
8. **Court Docket Evidence** () **– Not Resubmitted, but Available for Review:**
 - o Mother's exhibits from the OOP hearing, including a witness statement regarding the , pickup incident.
 - o Mother's testimony regarding the alleged school incident.
 - o Witness statement from Mother's friend, a teacher, or another parent who testified about the event.
 - o Father's dashcam footage, which directly refutes Mother's testimony and her witness's statement.
 - o Judge statements during the hearing that illustrate judicial bias and procedural irregularities.

I urge the Commission to thoroughly review this matter to determine whether Judge conduct meets the ethical and legal obligations of his role. If necessary, I am willing to provide additional documentation, testimony, or clarification to support my allegations. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

I am the document author. ()

Digital Media Evidence: I have additional digital media available for review, including dashcam footage refuting Mother's testimony.

A **secure online link** to the video is available here:

Please contact me if you require additional access or documentation.

TRIAL COURTS OF ARIZONA IN
Court of Arizona/

COUNTY

DEPUTY CLERK

Order of Protection

[] Amended Order

Case No. []

Court ORI No. []

County [] State AZ

PLAINTIFF

[]

First Middle Last

PLAINTIFF IDENTIFIERS

[]

Plaintiff's Date of Birth

And on behalf of any minor family member or other Protected Person listed below:

v.

DEFENDANT

[]

First Middle Last

Defendant/Plaintiff Relationship: The Defendant and I are or were married.

Defendant's Address:

DEFENDANT IDENTIFIERS

SEX	RACE	DOB	HT	WT
EYES	HAIR	<i>Arizona Prohibits Release of Social Security Numbers</i>		
DRIVER'S LICENSE #	STATE	EXP DATE		
	AZ			

[] Estimated Date of Birth

CAUTION: [] Weapon Alleged in Petition

WARNINGS TO DEFENDANT: This order shall be enforced, even without registration, by the courts of any state, the District of Columbia, any U.S. Territory, and may be enforced by Tribal Lands (18 U.S.C. § 2265). Crossing state, territorial or tribal boundaries to violate this order may result in federal imprisonment (18 U.S.C. § 2262). Because of this order, it may be unlawful for you to possess or purchase a firearm or ammunition pursuant to federal law under 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(8) or state, tribal, territorial, or local law. If you have any questions whether these laws make it illegal for you to possess or purchase a firearm, you should consult an attorney.

Only the Court, in writing, can change this order.

Any order served on or after [] is in effect for two years from date of service.
Any order served before [] is in effect for one year from date of service.

Court of Arizona in County, Monday - Friday 8am - 5pm

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS THAT:

It has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter.

[] Defendant received actual notice of this Hearing and had an opportunity to participate.

THE COURT, finding reasonable cause to believe that Defendant may commit an act of domestic violence or has committed an act of domestic violence within the past year (or good cause exists to consider a longer period), **HEREBY ORDERS:**

NO CRIMES. Defendant shall not commit any crimes, including but not limited to harassment, stalking, or conduct involving the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury, against Plaintiff or Protected Persons.

[x] **NO CONTACT.** Defendant shall have no contact with Plaintiff except through attorneys, legal process, court hearings, and as checked: [] Phone [] Electronic (email, text, etc.) [] Mail [x] Other: Through our attorneys / legal counsel.

THE COURT FURTHER ORDERS:

[x] **RESIDENCE.** Plaintiff is granted exclusive use and possession of the residence currently shared with Defendant.

[x] **LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDBY.** Defendant may return once with a law enforcement officer to obtain necessary personal belongings. Neither law enforcement nor this protective order can resolve conflicts over property, title, furniture, finances, real estate, or other ownership issues.

PROTECTED LOCATIONS. Defendant shall not go to or near Plaintiff's or other Protected Person's:

[x] Residence (confidential)

**THE COMMISSION'S POLICY IS
TO POST ONLY THE FIRST FIVE
PAGES OF ANY DISMISSED
COMPLAINT ON ITS WEBSITE.**

**FOR ACCESS TO THE
REMAINDER OF THE
COMPLAINT IN THIS MATTER,
PLEASE MAKE YOUR REQUEST
IN WRITING TO THE
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL
CONDUCT AND REFERENCE
THE COMMISSION CASE
NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.**