

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-256

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

September 5, 2025

The Complainant alleged a justice of the peace refused to allow Complainant to raise issues 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 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, Roger D. Barton, 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 September 5, 2025.

Judicial Conduct Complaint

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Complainant:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Judge's Name:

Court: Justice of the Peace Arizona

Date of Incident:

Case Number #

Statement of Misconduct:

I am filing this complaint regarding the conduct of Judge during a recent hearing related to my criminal case for ARS 28-1381A1 (DUI) and ARS 13-2508A3 (Resisting Arrest - Passive).

During the proceeding, I attempted to speak and raise legitimate objections regarding the legality of the initial traffic stop, the warrant used to obtain my blood, and the conditions of my arrest. I was not disruptive, hostile, or out of order. Despite this, Judge abruptly cut me off, and shut me down and did not allow me to present any argument or evidence on my behalf.

This conduct directly violated my right to be heard, my right to due process under the 14th Amendment, and undermined the integrity of the judicial process. A judge is obligated to act with impartiality, professionalism, and to protect the rights of the accused—not silence them.

The judge's language and actions not only disrespected the decorum of the court, but also denied me my constitutional right to defend myself in a criminal matter where my liberty and reputation are at stake.

I respectfully request the Commission investigate this misconduct and take appropriate corrective or disciplinary action.

Signature: _____

Sworn Declaration of

I, _____, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States and the State of Arizona that the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

1. On _____ I was stopped by Arizona _____ officers while driving my _____ in _____ Arizona.
2. I was told I was being pulled over for a missing license plate light. I complied by stopping the vehicle, but questioned the purpose and validity of the stop.
3. I did not commit any traffic violations and did not pose a threat to public safety. I was calm, coherent, and communicative at the time of the stop.
4. I exercised my constitutional right to refuse field sobriety tests and did not consent to a search or blood draw. I was not shown a valid warrant before force was used against me.
5. I was handcuffed, physically handled, and placed into the patrol car. I verbally expressed confusion and distress at the situation. I was not violent or threatening.
6. During my court appearance on this matter, I attempted to raise concerns about the legality of the traffic stop, the handling of the blood draw, and the denial of my rights.
7. The judge presiding over the hearing shut me down and denied me the opportunity to speak, and refused to hear any part of my defense. I was not disruptive—I simply tried to exercise my right to be heard.
8. I believe my constitutional rights under the Fourth Amendment (protection from unlawful search and seizure) and the Fourteenth Amendment (right to due process and a fair hearing) were violated during both my arrest and the court proceedings.
9. I respectfully request that this sworn declaration be accepted as evidence in support of my Motion to Dismiss.

Executed on this _____ day of _____,

By

Address:

Phone:

Notary (if needed for court):

Sworn and subscribed before me this ___ day of _____

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____

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