

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-263

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

September 5, 2025

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge influenced his grandfather's will, because the judge's daughter is married to the personal representative.

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.

From:

Sent:

To: Commission on Judicial Conduct <CommissionJudicialCo@courts.az.gov>

Subject: Subject: Formal Complaint Against Judge – Request for Investigation

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct,

Thank you for your prompt response.

Yes, I am formally submitting a complaint against Judge _____ for suspected conflict of interest and potential undue influence related to the administration of my grandfather's estate (_____).

While the official court record reflects that the matter was handled by a deputy probate registrar and not formally contested, I believe judicial influence may have occurred behind the scenes, outside of the official hearing process. My concern arises from the following:

- The appointed trustee was the wife of my grandfather's nephew.
- Her father is Judge _____.
- I have reason to believe this familial connection may have influenced the process by which the estate was handled, particularly in discouraging or preventing beneficiaries from pursuing further legal action or contesting the estate.
- Multiple red flags emerged during the handling of the trust that caused concern among family members, including:
 - The sudden and private closure of the estate.
 - Lack of clear communication with rightful heirs.
 - An unusually smooth process that bypassed many formal checks.

I have compiled screenshots, communications, and supporting materials that demonstrate relationships, potential bias, and irregularities that warrant an investigation into whether Judge _____

Fink's role as the trustee's father violated the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct, particularly in terms of:

- Canon 1: Promoting confidence in the judiciary.
- Canon 2: Avoiding impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.
- Canon 3: Performing duties impartially and diligently.,

I am reporting what I believe to be a serious breach of judicial ethics and potential criminal misconduct involving a judge, a trustee, and the administration of my grandfather's estate in Arizona and .

Specifically:

- My grandfather's last will and trust were administered in part by a trustee who is the wife of my grandfather's nephew.
- Her father is a judge, and I have reason to believe he worked on or influenced decisions regarding my grandfather's estate or trust.
- This creates a clear conflict of interest and potential undue influence, violating judicial ethics and fiduciary responsibilities.

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I have attached screenshots and evidence showing the relationship between the trustee and the judge, and how the estate may have been manipulated to benefit certain parties. Avail in this google drive.

This situation has caused my family great harm and I am seeking immediate investigation. I am submitting this report to the Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct, the Attorney General's Office, and the , as it may involve:

- Judicial corruption
- Estate fraud
- Breach of fiduciary duty

Please confirm receipt of this complaint and inform me of any next steps or if additional documentation is needed.

Please advise whether I should submit this evidence via email or your online portal, or whether you prefer physical mail delivery. I am fully prepared to cooperate in the interest of

transparency and justice.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

On _____ at _____ Commission on Judicial Conduct
<CommissionJudicialCo@courts.az.gov> wrote:

Hello:

The Commission is in receipt of your email.

Is it your intention to file a complaint against Judge _____? Your email states, "I have reason to believe he worked on or influenced decisions regarding my grandfather's estate or trust." Do you have any evidence to support this conclusion? The court records for _____ show no heirs contested the estate and that the matter was handled by a deputy probate registrar. There was never a contested matter heard by a judge, and the estate was closed in _____.

Once you confirm your intention to file a complaint, we can open an investigation. However, it would be helpful to our investigation if you provide any additional evidence you have to support your conclusion that there has been a violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

Thank you.

Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct
1501 W. Washington, Suite 229
Phoenix, AZ 85007
602-452-3200

From:

Sent:

To:

Subject: URGENT: Judicial Conflict of Interest & Estate Fraud – Corrupt Family Judge

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

To whom it may concern,

(This link ^ will take you to a drive with screen shots and pictures of the last will and testament I received as well as damning photographic evidence against Judge and

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- Her father is a judge, and I have reason to believe he worked on or influenced decisions regarding my grandfather's estate or trust.
- This creates a clear conflict of interest and potential undue influence, violating judicial ethics and fiduciary responsibilities.

I have attached screenshots in an accessible drive and evidence showing the relationship between the trustee and the judge, and how the estate may have been manipulated to benefit certain parties.

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Major Red Flags:

1.

Violation of Funeral & Burial Wishes (Agreement)

My grandfather prepaid or signed an agreement with the for cremation, scattering, or specific memorial handling, and instead:

- Was placed in a box with his deceased brother (),
- Without authorization or consent from next of kin,
- That's a serious breach of contract — possibly even mishandling of remains (a criminal matter in some states).

2.

Estate Not Properly Inventoried

“ ” That sounds like:

- No full inventory of assets (required in probate/trust administration),
- Possible concealment or misappropriation of assets,
- And a lack of transparency to you and other heirs/beneficiaries.

3.

Distribution of Items at the Wake

**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.**