

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-273

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

October 22, 2025

The Complainant alleged a city court judge improperly found probable cause, denied counsel, and improperly convicted her of misdemeanor charges.

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 Complainant 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 Regina L. Nassen, Scott H. O'Connor, and Christopher P. Staring considered this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on October 22, 2025.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: 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.

To whom this concerns,

I am filing this complaint for formality purposes. I qualify under state law for counsel in this case re the allegations and false reports brought against me by officers and false reporters, and I was denied such. Furthermore, I qualify under indigence.

This being said, this Judge in specific, Judge _____, contributed to the pain and hell my child with special needs and myself have had to suffer/undergo in _____ by his decision, which seems to have set up in some manner or form, the magistrates decision later on, for finding a "guilty" verdict, for the sole reasoning of "waiver of counsel".

There was no evidence presented in the court against my child with special needs and myself.

What happened in the courtroom that day was nothing short of disgusting, corruption, deceit and manipulation.

I want this filed for record purposes, as I have the full understanding via research that The Courts, Judges, Prosecution/Law Enforcement, all find loopholes they can use in the judicial system and do so happily. You all get paid to throw lives away.

This contributes to the vicious cycle of victimization for victims of crimes, such as my child with special needs and myself.

Law enforcement took these wrongful charges as an opportunity to hurt my child with special needs and myself, and did so happily. Their point was made, that they do not need evidence to hurt me and her. That officers use their "immunity" clauses alongside prosecution and judges to get away with illegal activity such as harassment and misconduct without any consequences in the state, simply using these clauses as permission, and excuses to allow further abuse to victims of crime, such as my child with special needs and myself.

What the lower court, city, prosecution and law enforcement has done to me and my child with special needs, has placed my child in crisis concerning her mental and emotional health.

There are all the policies in the world for law enforcement, "good faith callers", judges, and prosecution alike. Though, for victims of said conduct such as my child with special needs and myself, there are no policies in place to keep us safe from all of you.

Warmly and God Bless,

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