

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-282

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

October 22, 2025

The Complainant alleged a city court judge improperly claimed her appeal was not properly perfected.

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.

. Please, see the attached pdf.

To Whom This Concerns,

This complaint is concerning The Magistrate of The _____ Municipal Court in
County, _____.

I originally thought this would take the longest, as I thought it would be the longest considering what this man's decisions and choices have done to my family. My child with special needs, myself.. our lives here.

I realize, a broken heart and a heavy one doesn't have much to say after a while. Silence becomes a preference.

I wrote two complaints prior to this concerning two Judges within this courthouse who approved and denied certain things when it came to the development of the allegations brought against me by individuals who sought out to hurt my child with special needs and myself at any cost. I wrote those complaints in my continuous efforts to place the truth of what has happened to me and my child with special needs here, on record. To attempt to continue to keep us safe.

This complaint, I cannot encompass the entirety of what my child with special needs and myself have suffered and endured because of this man's, city prosecutions, decisions and choices, alongside law enforcements choices and decisions as well as the perpetrators choices and decisions of who they allege is a "victim of crime", when my child with special needs and myself are the true victims of crime in this case and others.

My child with special needs was dragged through hell alongside me, publicly, and she was forced to suffer and watch her mommy suffer through the broken system of the courts and our judicial system.

On my child's deceased father's birthday _____ this Judge, alongside law enforcement, city prosecution and their alleged victim, ganged up on me and my child with special needs in a court room setting of which I was threatened of a warrant if we did not show.

Ever since the allegations were brought against me and my child with special needs, _____ of _____, I sought only to place the truth on record. Only to be heard. To be acknowledged, considered. My child, the same.

Law enforcement eradicated innocence, presumed guilt.

Prosecution was malicious from the very start.

I learned the courts are a slaughterhouse, and the Judge is the butcher.

I learned that the truth doesn't matter to our law enforcement. The truth doesn't matter to our city prosecution. The truth doesn't matter to our Judges. I learned that they all get paid to throw lives away, and they do so happily, and some enjoy it more than others.

The heartless nature of our judicial system should be recognized in totality for exactly what it is. Evil. Nothing less. Nothing more.

What my child with special needs and myself have had to witness and endure at the broken and bent hands of those who carry corruption on their chest as badges, and those who swore to be safe, when they cause harm is nothing I can explain in a few sentences.

My voice was taken away from me years ago by law enforcement and was no different.

The process of going through all I could to place the truth on record for everyone to see and acknowledge, still to this day, almost a year later, has meant nothing to anyone, with the exception of my child with special needs and myself.

The accumulation of injustices that my child and I have had to suffer at the hands of the courts, the judges, law enforcement, and the person they allege is a victim when my child and I are, they all contributed to why my child with special needs suffered and suffers still.

Recently, my child needed emergency health services.

She was at the time.

She recently had her birthday.

No child should ever have to be forced to go through the process of court, let alone accusations and allegations alongside her mother, who is innocent and is being alleged of things that never happened. I was forced to represent myself in this case, denied counsel and repeatedly mistreated... Torn to pieces over and over.. for no reason at all. No legal reasoning, no just reasoning.

The one person I thought the truth would matter to, The Judge Magistrate, when the day came for him to acknowledge that truth, everything I ever attempted to place on record for my child and I in this... When the time came for him to acknowledge the truth in front of my child with special needs, and to me... in front of a group of people who were doing everything they did and were doing just to hurt me and her.. his time came, and he didn't acknowledge me or my child... he forced us to go through this hell... with the very officers involved... with this person who accused me of things I never did, there... in front of my child with special needs also. They were all there ... and they all lied, and no one believed me, no one believed our truth, let alone acknowledged that it exists.

Perjury was committed against my child and I, officers lying on the stand.. to hurt us.. a stranger accusing me of doing things I would never do lying on the stand, to hurt me and my child with special needs and I don't know why, prosecution maliciously not letting up and without any evidence presented, still was able to hurt us further by securing a judgement that was not true. A judgement against me that only hurt my family more than we already were.

I was rendered a guilty verdict via "waiver of counsel", and I didn't have representation because I could never afford counsel, despite requesting. I was denied.

Evidence was not presented. No one believed me or my child, and we still suffer because of this. Our lives have been torn to pieces here. This made everything worse. This caused my child to wind up in a crisis unit at years old.

We have been attempting to flee a stalking and harassment situation for multiple years, of which we were always denied cases and investigations by law enforcement.

Years we have suffered here. No one has ever acknowledged me and my child with special needs, let alone considered us. Let alone believe in us.

I hoped, after all I attempted to place on record, for our safety, would have reached a Judge who could have and would have acknowledged me and my child in this, our pain, our suffering, that these are false reports and that we need help. We need someone to believe us and to help us out of our situation.

Instead, we were wronged and hurt further.

We weren't acknowledged or believed, not considered.

My child had a underneath the table, where I was sitting...near my feet, in the courtroom that day.. no one cared and likely didn't notice. She was terrified... and I could barely keep myself together...

Both of us have nightmares... flashbacks... things just have never gotten better. We reside next to the individuals who participated in this.. who made false reports against us. This contributes to my child's mental health status and winding up in crisis... In , there were multiple and repeated false reports made against my family, of which included to law enforcement, the and hotlines. was a day that multiple false reports came in against my child with special needs and myself and law enforcement didn't consider me or my child then, just like they didn't , as they never have.

We needed this Judge to see our truth, and I lost a lot of time spending sleepless nights researching, trying to represent myself and my child without knowing how, losing precious moments with her, writing things to place on record on behalf of us, hours and days and time I can never get back with her.. because of this.. the allegations, the false reports.

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