

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-302

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

October 3, 2025

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge yelled at him during a criminal hearing.

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

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on October 3, 2025.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name:

Judge's Name: *Itova*

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 attached.

The judge went to his chambers after the proceedings briefly and returned to the courtroom to yell at me in front of everyone present including family, friends, defense, prosecution, and client of prosecution.

" This case was based around age,

meaning it was used as a main litigating factor and for these reasons

I have found the following violations in the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct:

1.2 Promoting Confidence in the Judiciary.

A judge shall act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary, and shall avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.

2.3 Bias, Prejudice, and Harassment.

(B) A judge shall not, in the performance of judicial duties, by words or conduct manifest bias, prejudice, or engage in harassment, including but not limited to bias, prejudice, or harassment based upon race, gender, religion, national origin, ethnicity, disability, Age, sexual orientation, marital status, socioeconomic status, or political affiliation, and shall not permit court staff, court officials, or others subject to the judge's direction and control to do so.

(C) A judge shall require lawyers in proceedings before the court to refrain from manifesting bias, prejudice, or engaging in harassment, based upon attributes including but not limited to race, sex, gender, religion, national origin, ethnicity, disability, Age, sexual orientation, marital status, socioeconomic status, or political affiliation, against parties, witnesses, lawyers, or others.

2.8 Decorum, Demeanor, and Communication with jurors.

(B) A judge shall be patient, dignified, and courteous to Litigants, jurors, witnesses, lawyers, court staff, court officials, and others subject to the judges direction and control.

" One thing I do not understand. Per the last line of the ruling
? Why would it be
identical or worse if it is justifiable self defence and duress?