

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-375

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

October 24, 2025

The Complainant alleged a superior court commissioner (now retired) was unprofessional and had inappropriate conversations regarding a pending matter.

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 member Colleen E. Concannon did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on October 24, 2025.

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Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct
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2025-375

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 refer to the attached complaint and reference documents *****

Date:

To: Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct

From:

I have been neighbors of _____ for over _____ years, and her place of residence is directly across the street from mine. My first concerning interaction with _____ occurred in _____. She had _____ dogs that barked incessantly. My husband and I had asked _____ on two separate occasions to control her dogs from barking. These attempts proved to be futile and she avoided further contact to discuss the problem. Instead, _____ initiated the process with the City of _____ to file a complaint against us and set up mediation for barking dogs we did not own. _____ handled the entire matter improperly and allowed a criminal complaint to be filed against us. We ended up filing a complaint with the _____ Arizona. The disposition of this complaint and correspondence from the _____ are attached as reference. since early _____, _____ has avoided our residence and any contact with us. **Refer to Document A – _____ Response**

The next interaction concerning _____ occurred in early _____. _____ had developed casual acquaintances with other neighbors on our street and she would stop from time to time to have conversations with them while walking her dogs in the neighborhood. The individuals _____ interacted with also included our next door neighbor _____ and his wife _____. In _____, I discovered that _____ had reviewed my _____ social media profile in semi-private mode. I quickly changed my security settings so _____ and other unwanted viewers could no longer access my profile. Before I accomplished this, I still received several requests to connect with people in the real estate profession which I summarily ignored and blocked (Note: _____ worked for a real estate mortgage corporation).

A few weeks later, this intrusive viewing by _____ seemed oddly connected to an incident I had with our next door neighbors on _____. During the confrontation, both _____ and _____ declared they had “

_____” Later in _____, my social media accounts were hacked and our Wi Fi network was compromised. _____ also installed a security camera in her second story window that looked out to the street and my driveway close to _____ property. _____ also began interacting more frequently with _____ and _____ (i.e., waving, talking from vehicles stopped in the street) and she would have conversations in front of their residence while walking her dogs. On _____, I was taking out the trash and _____ was standing in his driveway after parking his vehicle when pointed at me and haughtily proclaimed that “

_____.” **Refer to Document B – Injunction)**

Since the aforementioned injunction was served on _____, I have noticed that my neighbors, specifically _____ and _____ and _____ appear more proactive to initiate activities and conversations in _____ driveway. (i.e., walking their dogs, handing out Halloween candy, exchanging Christmas gifts, etc.). These individuals I have known since _____ when I moved into the neighborhood. However, I have now distanced myself from having spontaneous conversations with them because _____ is present or the talk becomes gossipy.

New owners moved into the house next door to our residence in _____. I have observed _____ also have occasional sidewalk conversations with these new neighbors, _____ and _____. After several months of construction for new backyard retaining walls and a large pergola in _____, the City of _____ acted on complaints and determined the new owners did not have permits for the work. The owners believed that I reported them to the City and in return they complained about a canopy I had in place for almost _____ years. The relationship since then has been contentious and not of an amicable nature. The police have been contacted on different occasions and each party has filed complaints against each other for various neighborhood zoning or code violations.

In _____, I was talking with our neighbor _____ while helped my husband work on a vehicle in our driveway when _____ casually asked if we knew that _____ [_____] was now a judge. Similar comments were also made by _____ in late _____ about _____ profession while discussing a recent rat problem in the neighborhood. I assume that many of the residents in the neighborhood have known for some time that _____ is a judge.

On _____, I requested police officers to serve an Injunction Against Harassment on _____ at his residence shortly before _____. (Case No. _____ through _____ Court of Arizona/ _____ . Signed by Judicial Officer _____) Note: An Injunction Against Harassment was also served on _____ the next day on _____ around _____ (Case No. _____ , also signed by Judicial Officer _____)

About an hour later after the police left, I was outside in front of our residence around _____. I observed _____ (black clothing) and _____ (gray shirt/shorts) quickly cross the street to greet _____ (orange shorts) and a neighbor, _____ (white top) walking their dogs on the sidewalk. A conversation quickly spun up between _____ and _____. _____ pointed a few times toward our house and appeared to be demonstrating to everyone what happened during a confrontation the Defendants initiated in front of our driveway on _____ (Note: This incident is documented in the injunctions served on _____ and _____). _____ is holding paper documents that he gives to _____ and both show the papers to _____. I believe these documents were copies of the Injunction served on _____ earlier. Refer to Document C – Photos (Images from driveway security cameras. A complete video file can be provided upon request)

The pictures (video) show that from approximately [redacted] pm to [redacted], [redacted] stood with [redacted] and [redacted] on the sidewalk 'holding her own court' and gesturing to our residence, and it appears from the video/photos that [redacted] actively engaged in conversation with [redacted] and [redacted] the entire time. (Note: [redacted] left the group and went inside her house about [redacted]).

The inferences I quickly formed from what I observed: 1) With the eagerness [redacted] and [redacted] displayed to cross the street and initiate a conversation with [redacted], the defendants know [redacted] is a judge, and the parties are obviously familiar with each other and have met on previous occasions, 2) [redacted] probably discussed the injunction at great length with [redacted] and [redacted] and she also had opportunity to look at documents and possible evidence (i.e., photos, audio and video clips) on their cell phones, and 3) Based what I have observed of past interactions with [redacted] and other neighbors over the last few years, there have been many opportunities in which [redacted] could share information about me and my family to the entire neighborhood, in addition to providing advice for any matter the neighbors (including [redacted] and [redacted]) would chose to discuss.

What [redacted] has done is very disrespectful, not only to the Judiciary, but to me and my family and can be easily construed to be defamatory in nature. I firmly believe that her conduct is in total disregard of her authority, duty and ethics that she should uphold as a judicial officer. Not only has she given advantage to the Defendants in this matter, she has tainted the process for a fair and impartial review of anything related to the injunctions and for future cases that my husband and I want to file against the defendants in the court system.

On [redacted], I was contacted by [redacted] Court and advised that [redacted] and [redacted] have now requested a hearing in this matter. I strongly question whether the defendants would have requested a hearing at all if not for the lengthy, 45-minute conversation they had with [redacted] on [redacted].

The hearings are back to back and set for [redacted] at [redacted] and [redacted] before Commissioner [redacted] at [redacted] County [redacted] Court in downtown [redacted]. Based on [redacted] improper conduct and the extent of any ex parte communications, and until this matter is looked into by the Commission, I respectfully request the [redacted] hearing date be dismissed altogether. Additionally, I request to know if any judicial officer involved in these matters should be disqualified.

Respectfully submitted this [redacted] day of [redacted], [redacted]

Digitally signed by [redacted]

Date: [redacted]

Cell: [redacted]

Email: [redacted]

Document A

From:
To:
Cc:
Subject: Charge Against a Lawyer
Date:

Arizona Charge Against a Lawyer

Name and Address of Consumer

Name and Address of Lawyer

I have spoken with someone in the Intake Department and I have read the materials indicated.
Yes No

1. Did or does this lawyer represent you?
Yes No

If "YES", provide the approximate dates the lawyer represented you, and the amount, if any, paid to the lawyer.

If "NO", how did you come into contact with this lawyer?
is a neighbor that lives across the street from my residence.

2. Do you currently have a lawyer other than the one named in this charge form?
Yes No

If "YES", provide the lawyer's name and address.

3. If your charge is about conduct in a lawsuit, provide the following information:

Case number of the lawsuit:
Title of the lawsuit:
Name of court:
Approximate date the lawsuit was filed:
What is your connection to the lawsuit:

4. Is the lawyer in possession of money or other property (for example, your original documents or client file) that you believe should be returned to you?
Yes No

If "YES" please identify the money or property *and include any written fee agreement.*

5. What type of legal work was/is involved?
other

Knowingly filed a malicious and mendacious report that could lead to a misdemeanor charge against me and my husband.

6. What is the general nature of your charge against the lawyer?
other

Knowingly filed a malicious and mendacious report that could lead to a misdemeanor charge against me and my husband.

7. State your charge in your own words.

On _____, my husband and I received two letters dated _____ and _____ from Arizona _____. These letters asked for our compliance to set up mediation with an unknown neighbor due to a barking dog kept at our residence. The letters warned if the issue could not be resolved through mediation, the neighbor would then have the right to file a petition with the City of _____ Prosecutor's Office, possibly resulting in a criminal charge against us.

**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.**