

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-404

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

November 21, 2025

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge improperly held her daughter in custody.

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 does not have jurisdiction to overturn, amend, or remand a judicial officer's legal rulings. 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).

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on November 21, 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.

I am submitting this as a formal demand for immediate review of the decision by Judge (Division 8) to hold my adult, medically disabled daughter, [_____], without bond until a State Rule 11 evaluation scheduled nearly a month from Lack of Proper Notice & Due Process Violation. No certified proof or verifiable record exists showing that the defendant was properly notified of the date and time of the court-ordered Rule 11 evaluation.

The court did not confirm attendance or ability to appear in advance, despite the known medical disabilities that are the central subject of the Rule 11 proceeding.

Denying bond in the absence of evidence of willful noncompliance constitutes a violation of due process under the Fourteenth Amendment.

Failure to Accommodate – ADA Title II Violation
The Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131–12165) mandates reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities in all public services, including court proceedings.

My daughter's medical condition, including documented _____ and _____ episodes, was not considered in scheduling or attendance verification.

The court's failure to make reasonable accommodations constitutes a violation of federal law and exposes the court to liability.

Improper Denial of Motions & Restriction of Rights
Standard defense motions available to similarly situated defendants are not being permitted in this case, raising serious concerns of bias, selective treatment, and deprivation of legal rights.

No Flight Risk & History of Compliance
My daughter has no history of missed appearances, turned herself in voluntarily upon regaining capacity, and depends on caregivers for her daily needs.

Continued detention serves no legitimate public safety or flight-prevention purpose and is punitive in nature.

This decision is unlawful under both state and federal standards for the following. Therefore, I am formally demanding the following actions without delay:

- An immediate bond hearing to reconsider her custody status in light of the lack of willful noncompliance, her medical condition, and her history of cooperation.
- A formal ADA compliance review of the court's handling of this matter, including scheduling, notification, and accommodation procedures.
- A full procedural review of Judge _____ decision, including an examination of documentation, notice records, and policy adherence.
- Production of the complete case history and all court records to both defense counsel and myself.
- An investigation into potential judicial bias and misconduct in the denial of reasonable motions and accommodations.

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If this matter is not addressed promptly, I will escalate my complaint to the Arizona Governor's Office, the Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct, the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, and all other relevant oversight bodies.

My daughter's ongoing detention under these circumstances is a direct violation of her constitutional rights, federal disability law, and basic principles of justice. Immediate action is both legally and morally required.