

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 25-421

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

February 24, 2026

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge was demeaning, muted the microphone, and gave the wrong court date in in a juvenile dependency case.

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).

Commission members Colleen E. Concannon and Regina L. Nassen did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 24, 2026.

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2025-421

**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.

This complaint is being filed due to the misconduct of Judge \_\_\_\_\_ during a hearing held on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_. The judge's actions were in violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, as they displayed a lack of impartiality and an abuse of power.

During the hearing, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ exhibited a pattern of behavior that was both demeaning and prejudicial. Specifically \_\_\_\_\_ had personal remarks about the case and claiming the case was about me and not my children; stating I am the mother who always shows up at the last minute ... The judge explicitly called me a " \_\_\_\_\_ " in open court, without any basis, which undermined my credibility as a parent and as a party in the case. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ demeanor portrayed me as the problematic "child" when in actual basis I am the parent being questioned yet treated as if I was guilty. of a crime. These actions demonstrated a clear bias against me before all evidence was presented.

He Silenced me and prevented me from speaking by muting my phone call. On multiple occasions, I attempted to speak and advocate for myself and my children, but Judge \_\_\_\_\_ repeatedly silenced me, stating that I could only speak " \_\_\_\_\_ " This prevented me from presenting crucial information and fully participating in a hearing that determined the future of me my family and my children.

Furthermore, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ conduct has directly impacted the case's progress and my ability to follow the court's orders. He verbally gave me a next court date of \_\_\_\_\_. However, the clerk of the court later confirmed the hearing for \_\_\_\_\_. This discrepancy between the verbal and written dates created confusion and could have resulted in me missing a critical hearing, thereby jeopardizing my efforts to regain custody of my children.

These actions demonstrate a significant lack of impartiality and a failure to provide a fair and unbiased hearing. The judge's conduct made it impossible for me to advocate for myself and my children and shows a disregard for due process.

I request that this commission conduct a full investigation into Judge \_\_\_\_\_ conduct and take appropriate action to ensure judicial integrity and protect the rights of individuals appearing before the court.

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