

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-495

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

February 11, 2026

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge improperly ignored evidence of threatening behavior and improperly held Complainant in contempt.

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, Regina L. Nassen, and Delia R. Neal did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 11, 2026.

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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'm writing to file a formal complaint regarding the judicial conduct of judge _____ in my family court proceedings. I believe there have been serious procedural errors and failure to properly consider critical evidence that affects the safety of my children, _____ and also myself. I presented critical audio recording evidence to judge _____ and the children's attorney the recording contained _____ making direct threats against my life, specifically stating he would slit my throat and plead insanity and only would get _____ years for such action. Despite the serious nature of these death threats, judge _____ dismissed this evidence then stated that since _____ sister was on the recording and that she is not here to defend herself the evidence would not be considered. This reasoning ignores the serious nature of threats made against my life and prioritizes procedural technicalities over legitimate safety concerns. It is also important to note that _____ has extensive criminal history that judge _____ ignored, such as gun charges, battery charges and is a registered drug offender. the criminal background, combined with the recorded death threat, creates a credible and immediate safety concern that should have been given serious consideration by the court. Judge _____ found me in contempt of holding my daughter _____ and interfering with the order, without _____ presenting evidence to support this finding. At the time I had evidences that would contradicted the contempt charges, but I was unable to locate it in my email during the proceedings. During the same court session, when I informed my daughter _____ that she would need to return to her fathers custody, she became extremely distressed in the court lobby, screaming and stating that she did not want to return with her father. As a parent, witnessing my child distressed while being unable to protect her was deeply troubling and suggests there may be underlying issues that warrant a investigation. I'm requesting a review of these proceedings and appropriate action to ensure that future decision involved, Particularly my children. I'm available to provide additional documentation or testimony as needed

Respectfully submitted

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