

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-514

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

January 23, 2026

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge abused her authority in a family law 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 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 Michael J. Brown, Colleen E. Concannon, and Joseph C. Kreamer did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on January 23, 2026.

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Anonymous,

2025-514

It is my best interest of file this complaint anonymously as I work for _____ of Arizona and feel it is best to only provide the necessary parties to this complaint vs Hon. _____ Our Mission

statement: At the Arizona _____ (_____), our mission is to successfully engage children and families to ensure safety, strengthen families and achieve permanency. The department engages families by investigating reports of child abuse and neglect. When necessary, we provide services to ensure the safety of a child in a stable family or out-of-home placement. In cases of out-of-home placement, we work with court oversight to achieve permanency through reunification, guardianship or adoption. _____ s a forward-looking agency. We will remain alert to current challenges without forsaking optimism for a brighter future. This agency is marked by industriousness, enthusiasm and a passion to serve children and families in a way that overpowers those who do children harm. Our confidence, competence, integrity, and team spirit will influence skeptics to choose to be part of creative solutions that empower all. Our goal is to make Arizona the safest place in the country for children to grow and thrive

Our department received a complaint from the mother of the child in the matter of _____ Our findings were the same as those of _____ Police. The report of abuse was unsubstantiated. It was clearly a false report by Mom in order to gain an advantage in a custody matter.

Father was totally cooperative throughout the process and even volunteered to take parenting classes to help with the raising of his child. We found no issues with Father's parenting nor the residential home.

I had a chance to run into _____ and asked how he and _____ were doing. He stated he hadn't seen his child in nearly _____ years due to the report from _____. I assured _____ I would review our records but we found his home for _____ to be a safe and nurturing environment.

After some review, we found that Judge _____ committed fraud and falsified our findings. When a sitting judge falsified the findings of _____ 'd as well as documented records that the child was in therapy.... Families and Arizona have a major problem on their hands.

Please see

reported that a member of Judge _____ office advised _____ not to report our finding.

You can see that Attorney _____ being a bit bewildered stated she is not sure why Court Appointed Advisors _____ report is lacking that the child is and had been attending therapy.

_____ avoided the question! _____ knows the child was in therapy and was doing well. Father went over and beyond in this matter.

It is clear that the Judge was able to get _____ to do her bidding. Our department would not participate in an wrong doings as this is not the goal of

What is apparent is too much energy and effort is put in to protecting the reputations of the "bench" when in instances such as this Hon. _____ falsified records to foster the outcome she desired with the recruitment of the CAA

In good conscience I cannot justify favoring a "Title" over the role of parent and health of an innocent child.

I will add if this Commission chooses to protect a Judge that violates that commits fraud, then we the People of Arizona have a very serious issue on our hands.

The father shared with along with who provided the voluntarily parenting class that the Judge was extremely biased and falsifying records that we felt it was best that testify on behalf of the Father"

A As I have observed _____ , I've observed him being a nurturing father. I have observed him being -- him speaking in a nurturing manner to _____. I have also observed him with the other children in the neighborhood as well, and I -- there -- when you walk in, there is a -- an openness and a warmth there in the home. So and all of the kids are in and out, and _____ appears to be happy. She's clean, she's healthy, and she's very communitive (sic).

Q Thank you. You've also worked with one of the colleagues who are -- was to oversee the family through this

time, I'm not sure of his name. Do you know his name?

A Yes. I've spoken to [redacted].

Q And what is [redacted] role?

A [redacted] role is the [redacted] -- he is the case specialist that is assigned to [redacted] case. I spoke to [redacted] yes -- day before yesterday, and he was calling to tell me that they're getting ready to close [redacted] case. And -- and he wanted to know if I were in agreeance (sic) with that, and I expressed that I was because I didn't see any type of abuse. I didn't see any -- anything that would indicate to me that the case wou -- could remain open. There is no neglect, or

ITMO

and

TRANSCRIPT

Judge [redacted] violated the trust of the People of Arizona as well as the hard-working people of [redacted] as well as the [redacted] Police Department as she falsified the findings of each of the respected entities. Unfortunately, Judge [redacted] falsified the records of [redacted] We did not find any substantial abuse. [redacted] also did not find any abuse. (Please see appendix). Our records found no less than [redacted] also report from Mother for abuse and none were substantiated. What we found is that the Judge in that matter retaliated against the father for filing complaints against them.

A judge should be fair and impartial and A judge should remove themselves from a matter when their impartiality could be questioned.

The judge in this matter falsified records of the child being sick as well as the child being in therapy along with the findings that [redacted] and [redacted] Police found no abuse has been committed by the father. In this matter the Judge wanted the child to be with mother and falsified the record to get the outcome she desired.

Please see [redacted] minute entry. Although the Commission does not address orders

Child was expressing suicidal or self-harm statements in school.¹ The Court is aware that [redacted] has substantiated the claim of physical abuse on one occasion but has determined that there was insufficient evidence regarding the remaining allegations. There are no pending criminal charges. The Court appointed Court Appointed Advisor ("CAA") [redacted] on [redacted] and has the benefit of her report and supplemental report.

Provided our finding to the Court on [redacted] We also include the Parenting Plan along with Voluntary parenting class. We would like to emphasize that in no shape or fashion did we order Father to take Parenting classes. The judge cited that the parenting classes were ordered by [redacted], this would again be a falsehood. Litigants should have a right to go before an impartial trier of facts.

We also find it disturbing that Court cited that father failed to enroll child into ordered therapy. The record shows that court was fully as was [redacted] attorney for respondent. Please see disc.

This is troubling to have to report this misconduct. Father explained that he has put in many complaints and the Commission out of fear or retaliation, or disciplining a sitting judge for aberrant behavior would shame to the bench: however, the bigger harm is to the people of Arizona to allow this go unaddressed.

When a judge commits misconduct or retaliation or Fraud to produce the outcome, they desire the destroy the foundation of trust in the court system as well as [redacted]

The Judge in this matter knew that the appeal process would be tough for a Pro Se litigant and by muddying the waters and falsifying documents she assured the fate of the father and child's relationship. Hon.

[redacted] in falsifying the [redacted] records but ensured that on appeal with the Arizona [redacted] that Father stood no chance of overturning the lower court's decision as, the Arizona [redacted] relies on the record of the lower court. The judge in this case made the record as she wanted it; thus, ensuring the outcome she desired.

Please see page 10 **ME At the time of the first hearings, the Court directed the Parties to ensure Child had access to mental health services. [redacted] made the same recommendation to Father directly.** Although Father testified that Child was seeing a counselor before the Court ordered relocation, he provided no proof to either the Court or Mother. The only services that the Court is aware of are in-home services through [redacted], including home visits by [redacted]. Once Child was relocated to [redacted], Mother testified that she began both individual and family counseling sessions. Mother further testified that Father refused to cooperate or coordinate with her, despite the Court's order, to ensure a smooth transition between Child's Arizona and [redacted] services.

We provided the records on [redacted] that child was in therapy. Father also provided entry to the CAA as [redacted]

to child Therapy. Please see attached. The Judge did not act impartial, and she committed misconduct in the form of Fraud by misrepresenting and falsifying the findings of [redacted] and [redacted] Police. The judge's JA in this matter asked us to "[redacted]" in this matter. I can't say for certain, but it does appear that the CAA was also influenced by the Judge's power to skew and not report anything positive that the father was doing.

The judge also cited that Father failed to turn over child for a visit and failed to notify or provide proof. This again is a falsehood the father was very cooperative and provided proof to all parties.

Simply put, the Judge had it out for the father and used her tremendous power to influence the CAA, and actual records for the case.

Appendix

1. [redacted] records that included unsubstantiated findings of abuse by father, Voluntary parenting class of Father, Therapy records for minor child.
2. Judge Falsifying records uses deliberate play on words. Bottom-line we found allegations to be unsubstantiated, and our documents are clear.
3. Falsifying the findings of [redacted]
4. Police report # [redacted] Police that father did not abuse the child.
5. Text from [redacted] with [redacted] confirming to [redacted] that his classes were voluntary
6. Records that All parties were provided including the Court that Child was in Therapy. The Child's Provides was [redacted]
7. CAA Records that Child's therapist is Named [redacted] (We feel with a degree of 99% that [redacted] was influenced by the Judge as father had made complaints against the Judge and CAA.
8. More mention of Therapy by Father and Daughter.
9. Case Plan Assessment date [redacted] got involved on [redacted]. Father was fully cooperative. [redacted] made it clear that we would be closing the investigation as we found no evidence of abuse. Mother Disagreed please see attached. Father agreed. Hon. [redacted] not happy, falsified the finding to state there was substantiated abuse.
10. [redacted] aftercare plan [redacted] Father cooperated and child was thriving in the home. [redacted] found no reason to continue with investigation. Hon. [redacted] failure to be impartial changed our findings.
11. Records that Child was in fact sick and was seen by a physician.
12. [redacted] Digital Copy of proceedings [redacted] Court of Arizona- [redacted] County

Please see [redacted] (Here you will see that counsel is keenly aware child is in therapy whilst CAA [redacted] is reluctant to provide assurance or even inquire about

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