

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-522

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

January 30, 2026

The Complainant alleged a justice of the peace pro tem was biased and made improper remarks from the bench in a civil 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 member Delia R. Neal did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on January 30, 2026.

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The aforementioned official presided over this case where she demonstrated professional misconduct. During the plaintiff's account of events it was learned she had a bias that ultimately would conclude to be discriminatory. As the plaintiff was detailing the timeline of events _____ would make the statement, " _____ The implication being I did not have a basic understanding of market rate service cost for a prepared tax return. The official did not review any evidence nor documents submitted to the court (prior). This said documentation highlighted previous paid invoices for completed and prepared returns which contrast the disparity of the disputed charge in amount, She would go on to interrupt the plaintiff and dismiss his efforts as he attempted to direct the official to the supporting documentation for her to better understand. This action and communication highlights economic bias in which she made an inaccurate assumption not based on fact. Furthermore, she would continue there on to conducted herself in such a manner that was dismissive and intolerant. This nature of behavior suggests she is projecting her own experience and understanding of costs related to tax preparation from a vantage of _____ minimum annual salary, per market data, likely with assests, investments, and other variable income NOT of the demographic she presides over who earns _____ or less without assests. This juxtapose position would give reason why a tax return for someone in her station in life would cost more than for the plaintiff. The tax preparer would have more to "prepare". Therefore requiring a higher price in service. This behavior and disposition from the official would go on to unfairly impact the plaintiff's right to a fair hearing due to economic bias and discrimination. Please review the FTR for further corroboration of this said complaint.

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