

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-561

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

February 13, 2026

The Complainant alleged a justice of the peace did not allow a party to present evidence in an eviction matter.

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 Denise K. Aguilar and Cathy Riggs did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 13, 2026.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

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Summons (Eviction Action)
Attachment

Here are my statement of facts describing the Judge's misconduct:

1. Although the Judge checked in with the Plaintiff's lawyer and the Plaintiff, he ignored my witness - the only other person in the Court sitting right behind me. And when my witness raised his hand to speak when I had finished my testimony, the Judge told him, " " and refused to let him speak to add his testimony. Any Court I have been in, the Judge always asks if there are any witnesses so he can have them stand and take an oath before the testimonies start. See Exhibit A - testimony not addressed at my hearing nor in my packet.

2. A.R.S. 33-1314 was written as my defense, and I addressed that with the Judge so I did have a defense even though he put on the judgement that Defendant didn't have a defense. I was an authorized month-to-month tenant from , providing services requiring a 30-day written notice to terminate which I did not receive. I did give a verbal 30-day notice on to leave on or before which I did. See Exhibit B.

3. The Power of Attorney the Plaintiff had was not legal, and that's why he could not get financing for a bathroom addition because the owner had a with impairment. He had her sign before she left on the airplane to for medical treatment. What legal standing did he have to bring this action against me? See Exhibit C.

4. The Plaintiff a citizen and allegedly an ex-husband of many years ago, is not the owner of the property even though he said he was. See Quitclaim Deed Exhibit D.

the owner, called me to tell me she wasn't part of the Court action and she didn't want me to leave. I told her I already gave my verbal notice on so I was leaving in days on or before.

5. Exhibit E is my response that I filed with the Court on .

Packet - Exhibit E

JUSTICE COURT -

PRECINCT,

COUNTY, ARIZONA

Phone

Plaintiff
Address

Exhibit B

Vs

Case No:

Defendant
Address

EVICTON ACTION
ANSWER

FILED

Defendant(s)

JUSTICE COURT

Answer Plaintiff's Complaint as follows:

I **admit** the following portion(s) of the Plaintiff's complaint: _____

I ask the court to dismiss the Plaintiff's complaint for the following reasons:

This court does not have jurisdiction because _____

Plaintiff is not the proper party to file the complaint against me because: _____

I am not the person or party against whom this complaint should be made because: _____

Proper notice was not given to me as required by law.

Other defenses: AR.S. § 33-1314. For a landlord to terminate such a tenancy to vacate - the landlord must provide written notice to terminate the month-to-month tenancy. Verbal

I **deny** that I have: notice is not sufficient.

Failed to pay rent as agreed. All rent has been paid as required by the rental agreement.

The rent was paid to _____ for \$ _____ on _____, 20__.

Committed any material non-compliance of the rental agreement.

Committed damage to the property.

Rent has not been paid because the Plaintiff has violated the rental agreement or the Residential Landlord and Tenant Act. Plaintiff committed the following violations: _____

I **gave** Plaintiff written notice. **Attached** is a copy of the notice I gave.

COUNTERCLAIM for \$ _____ OTHER: _____

I am asking the court to rule in favor of the defendant. I state under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE _____

I CERTIFY that I mailed/delivered a copy of this ANSWER/COUNTERCLAIM to the Plaintiff or Plaintiff's Attorney.)

Date: _____ Signature: _____

My Response

- Moved to (jacuzzi room) in exchange for plant care inside & outside. Later changed to whatever she needed/wanted. owner/ landlord.

- damaged the passenger side of my car on her way to the doctor. She totaled her car in an accident in on her way to the doctor. Ambulance took her to the ER where called me because he was celebrating his birthday with friends all that day. I went to ER & stayed with her until encouraging her to get the tests the doctor ordered. She left against doctors orders. Went to pharmacy for medicine before arriving home. returned around is her legal husband & renter so she can get citizenship because she is

- her x-husband arrives & days later her daughter to take her back to for healthcare because she was returned to the hospital for a on one side & an on the other.

week - asked me to take care of the property for a year because he had to return to He wanted to build an apartment over a garage in the back of the property, & put in a bathroom for so he could rent out the main house with two bedrooms & 2 baths. I knew that there wasn't time so I asked about an RV for me to stay in because & I had already talked about that. So that was the plan. I helped him getting the property ready, and he would take off rent for whatever was extra hours because it took lots of hours so I was documenting my time. See letter where he gave me permission to pay the utilities.

- said he didn't get his financing so I had to move that day. I told him I couldn't. He and said I could have two days. I shared that I needed the 30 days I was entitled to, and I would be out by then (

- opened my bedroom door without my permission, and started shoving furniture into my room. I told him to leave, and asked him if he wanted me to call the Sheriff before pushing the furniture back out, and locking my door.

- Returned from Interviewer job to my bedroom door missing. Called Sheriff. See Sheriff report.

- Received Notice of Health & Safety Violation(s).

- Received Summons for Eviction Action Forcible or Special Detainer

- Judge Dismissed Eviction Action

- banged on my door saying he wanted to talk, but I told him I couldn't right then because I had to pick up the scheduled forest service equipment from my interviewer team members. He said for me to get out, and that this was going to be the worst 30 days of my life!

- Called Sheriff Dispatch saying was threatening me, but I couldn't have the Sheriff come right then because I had a scheduled pickup for forest service equipment. Dispatch said to call on my way back to the house so the Sheriff could meet me.

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COMPLAINT ON ITS WEBSITE.**

**FOR ACCESS TO THE
REMAINDER OF THE
COMPLAINT IN THIS MATTER,
PLEASE MAKE YOUR REQUEST
IN WRITING TO THE
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL
CONDUCT AND REFERENCE
THE COMMISSION CASE
NUMBER IN YOUR REQUEST.**