

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-582

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

February 20, 2026

The Complainant alleged a municipal court judge violated his rights in a criminal 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 Colleen E. Concannon did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on February 20, 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.

See Attached

JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT COMPLAINT

Complainant:

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Judge Complained Of:

Hon.

Municipal Court

City of Arizona

I. SUMMARY OF MISCONDUCT

This complaint concerns a pattern of judicial behavior by Judge _____ that violates the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct. These actions include:

- Misstatements of law concerning waiver of rights
- Dismissive treatment of a disabled veteran (
- Erroneous assertions that police use of force is "civil" and irrelevant
- Creating an unfair and hostile courtroom environment
- Inconsistent and prejudicial handling of case scheduling, communication, and decorum
- Failure to address inaccurate system entries affecting access to counsel
- Conduct undermining the neutrality and integrity of the judiciary

My rights under () and () have been directly impacted.

II. CASE INFORMATION

- Arrest at School
- Charges: Disorderly Conduct + Criminal Trespass
- Event involved injury, excessive force, and ADA concerns

CMS-077

- Alleged trespass at
 - Never served until after jail release
 - Police presented an unsigned, scribbled-on letter during arrest
 - Letter referenced Middle School, but involves Elementary School
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III. STATEMENT OF FACTS

I am a retired veteran diagnosed with:

- (treated by the same psychiatrist for ~8 years)
- (treated by a local rheumatologist)

These disabilities were known to the court because:

- I requested Veterans Treatment Court (VTC)

- VTC eligibility requires disability documentation
- I verbally disclosed my disabilities in court
- Hospital and VA treatment followed the arrest

Despite this, Judge stated that:

“ ”

I repeatedly stated I had not knowingly waived anything.

When I politely attempted to clarify the record, he became visibly angry.

He further stated:

“ ”

This was despite:

- My hands being behind my back seconds before the takedown, visible on body camera
- Being forced first to my knees, then face-down
- Officer falsely stating I threw myself on the ground
- echoing this and stating this behavior is why I'm trespassed.
- emergency room visits for pain management, PMC visit, and MRI
- VA hand surgeon (orthopedic specialist) later treating inflammation with a steroid injection

I was reprimanded sharply for silently raising my hand to object to falsehoods—even though in previous hearings, Judge used nonverbal cues indicating that raising my hand was appropriate.

IV. ADDITIONAL IMPROPER CONDUCT AND PREJUDICE

**THE COMMISSION'S POLICY IS
TO POST ONLY THE FIRST FIVE
PAGES OF ANY DISMISSED
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.**