

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 25-622

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

April 14, 2026

The Complainant alleged a superior court judge was biased against a self-represented litigant in civil cases.

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 Roger D. Barton did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 14, 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.

Dear Arizona Judicial Commission;

I am filing this complaint to report serious judicial misconduct by Judge _____, whose rulings and omissions have enabled continued harassment, retaliation, attorney misconduct, and constitutional violations against me as a self-represented and indigent litigant. Throughout my case, Judge _____ has repeatedly refused to address clear attorney conflicts, sworn misrepresentations, and documented patterns of harassment by opposing counsel, resulting in ongoing constitutional injury and a fundamentally unfair legal process. After I notified opposing counsel's client of my intent to file a civil lawsuit, attorney _____ responded by obtaining an Injunction Against Workplace Harassment through false statements under oath—a retaliatory tactic designed to intimidate me and obstruct my access to the courts. Despite my filings providing evidence that the IAWH was procured through knowingly false allegations, strategic omissions, and misuse of judicial processes, Judge _____ declined to examine the misconduct, evaluate the constitutional implications, or hold counsel accountable under ethical rules governing candor to the tribunal and misuse of judicial proceedings. Her failure to address this retaliatory IAWH allowed opposing counsel to frame me as dangerous or vexatious, distorting the proceedings and undermining my credibility before the court.

Judge _____ further disregarded the statutory protections available to me under A.R.S. § 12-1809 when I submitted evidence that attorney _____ repeatedly contacted me in a manner meeting the definition of harassment. Instead of applying the law or acknowledging the escalating pattern of misconduct, Judge _____ issued a ruling that _____ was "not harassing" me and allowed the unwanted, threatening communications to continue. This ruling ignored both the statute's plain language and the documented harm these communications were causing. Her refusal to intervene emboldened both attorneys—_____ and _____—to escalate their conduct, increase hostile communications, and coordinate procedural maneuvers intended to accuse me of defects in my filings when their own motions failed to achieve dismissal. By permitting continued harassment and refusing to restrict improper attorney contact, Judge _____ created an environment that empowered opposing counsel to weaponize litigation procedures against me, obstruct my ability to respond, and engineer procedural traps designed to prejudice my case.

These actions constitute clear violations of the 2025 Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct, including Rule 2.2 (impartiality and fairness), Rule 2.3(A)–(B) (prohibiting bias, prejudice, and socioeconomic discrimination and requiring judges to stop harassment by lawyers), Rule 2.5 (competence and due diligence), Rule 2.6 (ensuring every litigant's right to be heard), and Rule 2.9 (the duty to identify and respond to attorney misconduct and prevent improper influence). Instead of enforcing these duties, Judge _____ rulings consistently favored the defendants, adopted their narrative without analysis, and sidelined my submissions—even when those filings identified perjury, retaliation, conflicts of interest, and ongoing statutory violations. Her repeated denials of my motions without explanation, her refusal to act on clear evidence of harassment, and her ongoing tolerance of misleading and abusive litigation tactics have created a hostile, unsafe, and discriminatory environment that infringes my rights to due process, equal protection, and meaningful access to the courts.

A reasonable observer reviewing this record would conclude that Judge _____ has not acted as a neutral and impartial adjudicator and that her conduct disproportionately burdens me because I am self-represented and indigent—conduct expressly prohibited under Rule 2.3. Her failure to intervene has enabled opposing counsel to misuse judicial processes to intimidate me, retaliate against me for pursuing lawful claims, and obstruct the Court _____'s mandate that I be permitted to pursue my causes of action. These violations undermine public confidence in the judiciary's fairness and integrity and constitute an abuse of discretion, an abandonment of judicial-ethics duties, and a serious threat to my constitutional rights. For these reasons, I respectfully request that the Commission investigate Judge _____ conduct and take appropriate action.

Thank you for your attention and prompt consideration.