

State of Arizona
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 26-008

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

April 21, 2026

The Complainant alleged a justice of the peace did not allow certain evidence to be admitted and did not afford the parties equal time. Complainant also alleges the justice of the peace tried to coerce a settlement and yelled in an eviction hearing.

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 member Delia R. Neal did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 21, 2026.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name:

Judge's Name:

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Names:

Place: Justice Court,

Time:

Date:

RULE 2.2. Impartiality and Fairness A judge shall uphold and apply the law, and shall perform all

3. A good faith error of fact or law does not violate this rule. However, a pattern of legal error or
behavior: allowed the defendant to lie under oath without penalty (once the li

RULE 2.5. Competence, Diligence, and Cooperation (A) A judge shall perform judicial and admin

4. In disposing of matters promptly and efficiently, a judge must demonstrate due regard for th
behavior: The defendant and I provided documentation to the court of the defendant'

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RULE 2.6. Ensuring the Right to Be Heard (A) A judge shall accord to every person who has a legal interest in a proceeding, or that person's lawyer, the right to be heard according to law.

(A) A judge shall accord to every person who has a legal interest in a proceeding, or that person's lawyer, the right to be heard according to law. (B) A judge may encourage parties to a proceeding and their lawyers to settle matters in dispute, but shall not coerce any party into settlement.

1. The right to be heard is an essential component of a fair and impartial system of justice. Substantive rights of litigants can be protected only if procedures protecting the right to be heard are observed.

behavior: did not allow me an opportunity to present one of two 10-Day Material Breach notices (alterations without written consent violation). did not allow me equal time to address the court and respond to the defendant as the defendant had thereby violating my substantive right to be heard according to the law. attempted to coerce any party into settlement by constantly delaying a ruling despite conclusive evidence the defendant willfully refused to comply with both 10-Day Material Breach notices (subleasing without written consent and alterations without written consent violation) as the defendant stated he wanted the courts to resolve all matters; as I did.

RULE 2.8. Decorum, Demeanor, and Communication with Jurors

(B) A judge shall be patient, dignified, and courteous to litigants, jurors, witnesses, lawyers, court staff, court officials, and others with whom the judge deals in an official capacity, and shall require similar conduct of lawyers, court staff, court officials, and others subject to the judge's direction and control.

1. The duty to hear all proceedings with patience and courtesy is not inconsistent with the duty imposed in Rule 2.5 to dispose promptly of the business of the court. Judges can be efficient and businesslike while being patient and deliberate.

behavior: yelled, " at me as I silently disagreed with a statement that was made. When I addressed the court, constantly alluded to the fact that I was under oath. This was very rude and disrespectful toward me, was not treated with patience and courtesy.

REVISED NOTICE OF TENANT DEFENSES

Date:

To:

Re: Case No.

Property:

Tenant:

This Notice is provided solely to comply with court service requirements and to place the landlord on notice of the defenses asserted in this matter. Nothing herein waives any rights or defenses.

1. Waiver by Acceptance of Rent

Plaintiff accepted rent for multiple consecutive months after having actual knowledge of the alleged conduct now claimed as a breach. Acceptance of rent under these circumstances constitutes waiver.

2. Written Acknowledgment, Consent, and Identification of Tenancy

Plaintiff had actual knowledge that _____ was the tenant. This is confirmed by written communications and a Default/Late Payment Notice dated _____, issued by _____, which expressly identifies "Tenant (_____)." This constitutes written acknowledgment, consent, and waiver.

3. Consent by Conduct and Written Consent

Through acceptance of rent, issuance of statutory notices, and course of conduct, Plaintiff consented to and approved _____ tenancy and use of the property.

4. Waiver and Estoppel

Having repeatedly treated _____ as the tenant, Plaintiff is estopped from asserting unauthorized subleasing or lack of permission.

5. Bad Faith and Inconsistent Enforcement

Enforcement actions were initiated only after months of acceptance and acknowledgment, demonstrating inconsistent and bad-faith enforcement.

6. Failure to Disclose Material Facts

Plaintiff failed to disclose that the property was subject to foreclosure proceedings. This information was obtained through public records and is relevant to credibility and good faith.

7. Unequal Sophistication and Knowing Conduct

Plaintiff acted with greater knowledge and sophistication regarding lease enforcement. Acceptance of rent and issuance of notices were knowing and intentional acts.

8. Retaliatory Enforcement (Preserved)

The timing of enforcement actions shortly after Defendant asserted legal rights supports a defense of retaliatory conduct under Arizona law. This defense is asserted and preserved.

The Court has been provided with over one hundred (100+) pages of text messages and emails demonstrating knowledge, acknowledgment, consent, and course of conduct. Hard-copy sets, including the notice, will be available at the hearing.

All defenses, claims, and remedies available under Arizona law are expressly reserved.

Respectfully submitted,

Authorized Representative

From:

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