

State of Arizona  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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Disposition of Complaint 23-493

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Judge:

Complainant:

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**ORDER**

April 19, 2024

The Complainant alleged a justice of the peace pro tem provided legal assistance to a relative in a family 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 Regina L. Nassen did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Copies of this order were distributed to all appropriate persons on April 19, 2024.

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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.

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ I am writing this as a formal complaint against Justice Court Judge \_\_\_\_\_ located in the city of \_\_\_\_\_ AZ. In my divorce case # \_\_\_\_\_ which it shows above. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is related to my now Ex-Wife \_\_\_\_\_ (they are first cousins) Judge \_\_\_\_\_ has some actions that clearly places her in a conflict of interest situation. The day the divorce decree was signed and available by The Honorable Judge \_\_\_\_\_ who is the judge that handled the divorce case. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ personally sent me the divorce decree from her personal cell phone to my cell phone. Which clearly indicated that she had access to a personal document that in no way or matter had anything to do with her. in the matter that she was involved in this whole process she has clearly violated her position to enhance a private interest. The decisions and signed orders by Judge \_\_\_\_\_ were so important it involved signed orders and personal information and it should have been taken more serious and not lightly at all for another judge in the same court house to have access to specially anything involving a relative by any court official. Judge \_\_\_\_\_ being \_\_\_\_\_ first cousin should have completely excluded from any court proceedings involving this divorce case or anything further that I would be handling in the future.

What chance do I really have or had trusting any court decisions when relatives that are court officials being bias and using their position to benefit any relatives of theirs. It is completely unfair and it should be looked at. I am asking for your help and resolution in this matter. I will not tolerate any more involvement from Judge \_\_\_\_\_ it speaks highly about what kind of system I am trusting to be equally fair. which in this matter I do not believe it was and with actions like this I truly have many doubts it was.

Also, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ personally filled out and assisted \_\_\_\_\_ to fill out her divorce papers from the beginning and collected a fee in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ (Ex-wife) Another matter I would like to address is when she showed up at my residence when a officer was called by me due to \_\_\_\_\_ yelling at our son for some silly matter Judge \_\_\_\_\_ said to the officer in place out loud and I quote " \_\_\_\_\_ " In no way or matter she should have been involved.

Any court proceedings or matters independently from mine should be handled in the most professional way and with respect which in this formal complaint Judge \_\_\_\_\_ showed no respect or professionalism and I would like to make it clear that in any matter anyone should have the opportunity to have a fair chance to present issues without having to worry about relatives in the court system to get involved and be bias.

Included with this document I have the message from Judge \_\_\_\_\_ showing the day was sent to my personal cell phone from hers.

I appreciate your time and help on this important issue.

Sincerely,



[Redacted name]

[Redacted name]



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IN THE COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

In re the Marriage of

Petitioner,

vs.

Respondent

) Case No.:  
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) **DECREE OF DISSOLUTION OF**  
) **MARRIAGE**  
) (Under Advisement-  
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THIS MATTER was heard on , before the Honorable for a

Trial. Petitioner/Mother appeared personally with the assistance of her attorney,  
Respondent/Father appeared personally, *pro per*. At the commencement of  
the Trial, the parties announced their Rule 69 agreement to adopt the mediation agreement filed  
on , as a final order of the Court. At the conclusion of the hearing the Court took  
the matter under advisement. The Court has reviewed the pleadings, considered the testimony  
and other evidence presented on the record. Father attempted to submit exhibits after the close of  
evidence along with his proposed Decree. To the extent that any of those exhibits were not  
admitted during the hearing on , the Court has not considered those in making these  
determinations.