

This letter clearly shows that there is NO ACCOUNTABILITY for judges in Missouri. They state they have jurisdiction on ethical issues only. Webster defines ethical behavior as conforming to accepted standards of conduct. So since this is normal behavior for judges to violate us it is business as usual. What kind of accountability is there when we have to report the crimes committed by members of the BAR to the same perpetrators of that crime.

They can't even get my name correct. But I guess Harrington and Hamilton are so close they were confused.

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Ms. Melinda Sue Hamilton
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Dear Ms. Hamilton:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your complaint against Judge Scott Hayes.

Please be advised the Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline only has jurisdiction to investigate ethical violations of judges. The Commission does not have the authority to review whether a judge has made the correct decision in any given case, as such is the job of the appellate courts.

A copy of your complaint has been circulated to each member of the Commission for their evaluation.

You will be informed of the eventual disposition of your complaint.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James M. Smith", written over a large, stylized flourish.

James M. Smith
Administrator and Counsel