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Rule 6. Jurisdiction 1 .

The Commission shall administer the judicial discipline and disability system, and perform such duties as are required to enforce these rules. The Commission shall have jurisdiction over any ?judge? regarding allegations of misconduct or disability, pursuant to the limitations set forth below.
A. Establishment of Grounds for Discipline. The grounds for discipline are those established in part (b) of Ark. Const. Amend. 66 and those established by Act 637 of 1989.

B. Distinguished from Appeal. In the absence of fraud, corrupt motive or bad faith, the Commission shall not take action against a judge for making findings of fact, reaching a legal conclusion or applying the law as he or she understands it. Claims of error shall be considered only in appeals from court proceedings.

C. Judge-in-Office. As used in this section, ?judge? is anyone, whether or not a lawyer, who is an officer of the judicial system and who is eligible to perform judicial functions, including a justice, magistrate, court commissioner, special master, referee, whether full-time or part-time. The Commission shall have jurisdiction over allegations ofmisconduct occurring prior to or during service as a judge, and regarding issues of disability during service as a judge.

D. Former Judge. The Commission has continuing jurisdiction over any former judge regarding allegations of misconduct occurring before or during service as a judge, provided that a complaint is received within one year of the person?s last service as a judge unless the person has actively concealed material facts giving rise to the complaint.

E. Overlapping Jurisdiction. Nothing in these rules, or in the provisions regarding jurisdiction of the Commission, shall be construed as limiting in any way the jurisdiction of the Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct.

Associated Court Rules:
Rules of Procedure of the Arkansas Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission

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