



**Petition for the Removal of disgraced former judge Dr. John Hlophe from the Judicial Service
Commission**

We, The United South Africa Movement (TUSAM), are concerned South African citizens who believe in the integrity of our Constitution, as well as the judicial and parliamentary systems. We also believe that personal integrity and ethical conduct should be the cornerstones of all leadership in South Africa, be it in the public sector or the private sector. Roles modeling for future generations of leaders is shaped by the leaders who get elected/appointed today, as well as their conduct.

We write to express our grave concerns about the election of disgraced former Western Cape Judge President, now Dr. John Hlophe, to parliament and, subsequently, by his nominated to serve in the Judicial Service Commission (JSC). It is common cause that this comes following his impeachment following charges of attempts to influence judges in a corruption case against former president Mr J.G. Zuma in 2008.

Disgraced Dr J. Hlophe contacted two constitutional court judges to try to sway them to rule in favor of his friend, Mr. J.G. Zuma who was accused of corruption in the procurement of the now notorious 'arms deal', a procurement that plunged our country into serious financial troubles. Upon series of investigations disgraced former judge Hlophe was found guilty of gross misconducted and impeached by parliament following a recommendation by the same Judicial Services Commission (JSC) to which he has now, strangely, been nominated to serve. Dr John Hlophe is unfit to be a lawmaker let alone to serve in South Africa's Judicial Service Commission. He is ethically bankrupt, morally lacking and has proven to be a disgrace to both the law and the legislature.



We urge you to sign this petition before it gets submitted to parliament for action against the nomination of disgraced Dr. John Hlophe to be a commissioner of the JSC. We do as part of a drive to restore integrity and trust in our judicial and parliamentary systems.

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