

# MP Nabeta kicked out of Parliament

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**KAMPALA.** Mr Nathan Igeme Nabeta has ceased being a Member of Parliament for Jinja East Constituency after the Court of Appeal in Kampala declared the seat vacant and ordered fresh elections.

Three justices, including former deputy Chief Justice Steven Kavuma, Richard Buteera and Paul Mugamba annulled Mr Nabeta's victory on grounds of falsification of election results.

Their judgement was read by the court's deputy registrar, Mr Taddeo Asiimwe, yesterday.

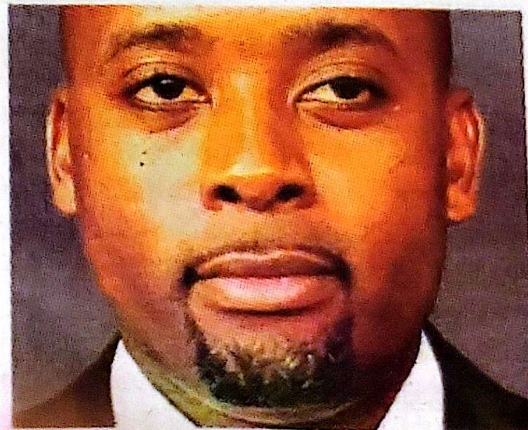
However, the justices declined to declare Mr Nabeta's political rival, Mr Paul Mwiru of the Forum for Democratic Change, as MP on grounds that they could not use wrong results to determine the winner of an election.

They also faulted the Electoral Commission (EC) for conducting the said election in non-compliance with the law from the time of opening the ballot boxes, transmission of results up to the declaration of winner.

"This affects the results and we, therefore, order for fresh elections to fill the post that we have declared as vacant," the justices stated.

They also blamed High Court judge Lydia Mugambe for declaring Nabeta the elected MP without first evaluating the evidence before her.

The appellate court ordered Mr Nabeta and the EC to pay Mr Mwiru costs in both courts.



**Out.** Mr Nathan Igeme Nabeta