

MEMBERS OF THE JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION FROM 1962 TO 2024

Members of the Judicial Service Commission 1962

The Judicial Service Commission was first established under Article 91 of the 1962 Constitution of Uganda and the body had four (4) members as indicated below:-

1. The Chief Justice was the Chairman
2. The Chairman of the Public Service Commission of Uganda
3. A Pusine Judge appointed by the Governor acting in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister; and
4. One member of the Commission appointed by the Governor acting in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister of Uganda.

Members of Judicial Service Commission under the 1967 Constitution of Uganda

The Judicial Service Commission was established under Article 90 of the Republican Constitution of 1967.

The Judicial Service Commission was under the Judiciary which is one of the arms of Government led by the Chief Justice of Uganda

Members of Judicial Service Commission under the 1995 Constitution of Uganda

The membership of the Commission is spelt out under **Article 146 of the 1995 Constitution**. It provides for a nine-member Commission. The Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, and 6 other members who are appointed by the President with the approval of Parliament. The Attorney General is an ex-officio member of the Commission.

The members are appointed to the Commission in the following categories;

- i) A full time Chairperson who is a person qualified to be appointed as a Justice of the Supreme Court;
- ii) A Deputy Chairperson (part time) who is a person qualified to be appointed as a Justice of the Supreme Court;
- iii) Six members (part time) whose respective nomination is directly linked to specified stakeholder institutions, that is, one member from the Public Service Commission, two Advocates nominated by the Uganda Law Society, one representative of the Judiciary, and two (2) members of the Public (not lawyers) nominated by the President;

Members of the 1stJudicial Service Commission under the 1995 Constitution of Uganda appointed in 1996 - 1997

1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Odoki	-	Chairperson
2. Hon. Lady Justice Christine. N.B. Kitumba	-	Deputy Chairperson
3. Hon. Justice Alfred N. Karokora	-	Judiciary Representative
4. Mr. Remmy Kasule	-	ULS Representative
5. Mr. Ezekiel K. Muhanguzi	-	ULS Representative
6. Prof. Twaha Nsereko Gyagenda	-	Member
7. Mr. John Ntimba	-	Member
8. Mr. Anthony Ocaya	-	Member
9. Hon. Bart M. Katureebe	-	Attorney General
10. Mr. S. M. Bulega	-	Permanent Secretary

Members of the 1stJudicial Service Commission as at 31st December, 1999

1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Odoki	-	Chairperson
2. Hon. Lady Justice Christine. N.B. Kitumba	-	Deputy Chairperson
3. Hon. Justice Alfred N. Karokora	-	Judiciary Representative
4. Mr. Remmy Kasule	-	ULS Representative
5. Mr. Ezekiel K. Muhanguzi	-	ULS Representative
6. Prof. Twaha Nsereko Gyagenda	-	Member
7. Mr. John Ntimba	-	Member
8. Mr. Anthony Ocaya	-	Member
9. Hon. Bart M. Katureebe	-	Attorney General
10. Mr. Stephen S. Nabeta	-	Secretary

Members of the 2ndJudicial Service Commission as at 31stDecember 2002

There was no Chairperson.

1. Hon. Lady Justice Christine N.B Kitumba	-	Deputy Chairperson
2. Hon. Justice Arthur Haggai O Oder	-	Judiciary
3. Mr. Remmy K. Kasule	-	ULS Representative
4. Mr. John Mary B. Kiwuuwa	-	ULS Representative
5. Prof. Twaha Nsereko Gyagenda	-	Member
6. Mr. John Ntimba	-	Member
7. Mr. Sam Baingana	-	Member
8. Hon. Francis Ayume	-	Attorney General
9. Mr. Stephen S. Nabeta	-	Secretary

Members of the Judicial Service Commission as at 31st December, 2003

1. Hon. Justice Seth T. Manyindo - Chairperson
2. Hon. Justice Christine N.B Kitumba - Deputy Chairperson
3. Hon. Justice Arthur Haggai. O. Oder - Judiciary Representative
4. Mr. Remmy Kasule - ULS Representative
5. Mr. John Mary B. Kiwuuwa - ULS Representative
6. Prof. Twaha Nsereko Gyagenda - Member, Public Representative
7. Mr. John Ntimba - Member. PSC
8. Mr. Sam Baingana - Member, Public Representative
9. Hon. Francis Ayume - Attorney General
10. Mrs. C. A. Mwaka - Acting Secretary

Members of the 3rd Judicial Service Commission as at 31st December 2004

1. Hon. Justice Seth T. Manyindo - Chairperson
2. Hon. Justice Christine N.B. Kitumba - Deputy Chairperson
3. Hon Justice Arthur Haggai O. Order - Judiciary Representative
4. Mr. Remmy Kasule - Member, ULS Representative
5. Mr. John Mary B. Kiwuuwa - Member, ULS Representative
6. Prof. Twaha Nsereko Gyagenda - Member, Public Representative
7. Mr. John Ntimba - Member, PSC
8. Mr. Sam Baingana - Member, Public Representative
9. Hon. Francis Ayume - Attorney General
10. Mr. Vincent R. Rubarema - Secretary

Members of the 3rd Judicial Service Commission as at 30th June 2008

1. Hon. Justice Seth T. Manyindo - Chairperson
2. Hon. Lady Justice Dr. Esther M. Kisaakye - Deputy Chairperson
3. Hon. Justice Bart Katureebe - Judiciary Representative
4. Hon. Justice Cosmas Matongo Kato - Member, PSC Representative

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| 5. Prof. Frederic E. Ssempebwa | - | Member, ULS Representative |
| 6. Mr. Jogo Tabu Peter | - | Member, ULS Representative |
| 7. Mr. Henry K. M. Kyemba | - | Member, Public Representative |
| 8. Hon. Kiddhu Makubuya | - | Attorney-General |
| 9. Mr. John Kashaka Muhanguzi | - | Secretary |

Members of the Judicial Service Commission as at 30th June 2009

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| 1. Hon. Justice Seth T. Manyindo | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Lady Justice Dr. Esther M. Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Bart Katureebe | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Hon. Justice Cosmas Matongo Kato | Member, PSC Representative |
| 5. Prof. Frederic E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 6. Mr. Jogo Tabu Peter | Member, ULS Representative |
| 7. Mr. Henry K. M. Kyemba | Member, Public Representative |
| 8. Hon. Kiddhu Makubuya | Attorney-General ex-officio Member |
| 9. Mr. John Kashaka Muhanguzi | Secretary |

Members of the Judicial Service Commission as at 30th June 2010 Financial Year 2009/2010.

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| 1. Hon. Justice Seth T. Manyindo | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Lady Justice Dr. Esther M. Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Bart Katureebe | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Hon Justice Cosmas Matongo Kato | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Prof. Frederic E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 6. Mr. Jogo Tabu Peter | Member, ULS Representative |
| 7. Mr. Henry K. M. Kyemba (deceased) | Member, Public Representative |
| 8. Hon. Kiddhu Makubuya (deceased) | Attorney-General Ex-officio Member |

Members of the 3rdJudicial Service Commission as of 18th November 2010 Financial Year 2010/2011.

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| 1. Hon. Justice Seth T. Manyindo | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Dr. Esther M. Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Bart Katureebe | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Hon. Justice Cosmas Matongo Kato | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Prof. Frederic E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 6. Mr. Jogo Tabu Peter | Member, Public Representative |
| 7. Mr. Henry K. M. Kyemba | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Hon. Kiddhu Makubuya | Attorney-General, ex-officio Member |

Members of the 4th Judicial Service Commission FY 2011/2012 as at 2nd February, 2012 to June 30, 2012:

The 4th Commission was sworn in office on 2nd February, 2012. The ninth member was sworn in on 30th March, 2012.

The Membership of the Commission as at June 30, 2012:

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| 1. Hon. Justice James Ogoola | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Dr. Esther Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Bart M. Katureebe | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Prof. Frederick E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 5. Mr. Charles Okoth Owor | Member, ULS Representative |
| 6. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 7. Mr. Henry K. M. Kyemba | Member, Public Representative |
| 8. Mrs. Grace Oburu | Member, Public Representative |
| 9. Hon. Peter Nyombi | Attorney-General (Ex-officio Member) |
| 10. Mr. Kagole E. Kivumbi | Secretary |

The Membership of the Commission as at June 30, 2013:

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| 1. Hon. Justice James Ogoola | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Dr. Esther Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |

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| 3. Hon. Justice Bart M. Katureebe | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Prof. Frederick E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 5. Mr. Charles Okoth Owor | Member, ULS Representative |
| 6. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 7. Mr. Henry K. M. Kyemba | Member, Public Representative |
| 8. Mrs. Grace Oburu | Member, Public Representative |
| 9. Hon. Peter Nyombi | Attorney-General (Ex-officio Member) |
| 10. Mr. Kagole E. Kivumbi | Secretary |

Members of the 4th Judicial Service Commission FY 2013/2014

The 4th Commission took office on 2nd February, 2012.

The Commission as at 30th June, 2014 was composed as follows:

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| 1. Hon. Justice James Ogoola | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Dr. Esther Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Bart M. Katureebe | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Prof. Frederick E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 5. Mr. Charles Okoth Owor | Member, ULS Representative |
| 6. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 7. Mr. Henry K. M. Kyemba | Member. Public Representative |
| 8. Mrs. Grace Oburu | Member, Public Representative |
| 9. Hon. Peter Nyombi | Attorney – General, ex-officio Member |
| 10. Mr. Kagole E. Kivumbi | Secretary |

Members of the 4th Judicial Service Commission FY 2014/2015; twelve months from 1st July 2014 to 30th June 2015,

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| 1. Hon. Justice James Ogoola | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Dr. Esther Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |

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| 3. Prof. Frederick E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 4. Mr. Charles Okoth Owor | Member, ULS Representative |
| 5. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 6. Hon. Henry K. M. Kyemba | Member, Public Representative |
| 7. Hon. Grace Oburu | Member, Public Representative |
| 8. Hon. Fred Ruhindi | Attorney-General – ex-officio Member |
| 9. Mr. Kagole E. Kivumbi | Secretary |

Hon. Justice Bart Katureebe left the Commission in March 2015, after being appointed as Chief Justice of Uganda. Hon. Fred Ruhindi joined the Commission after being appointed as the Attorney General of Uganda.

Members of the 4thJudicial Service Commission FY 2015/2016 twelve months from 1st July 2015 - 30thJune, 2016

The term of Office of the Commission chaired by Hon. Justice James Ogoola expired on 1stFebruary 2016, leaving the Commission to operate without Commission members for the last five (5) months of the Financial Year. The Commission as at 1stFebruary, 2016 was composed as follows:

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| 1. Hon. Justice James Ogoola | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Dr. Esther Kisaakye | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Prof. Frederick E. Ssempebwa | Member, ULS Representative |
| 4. Mr. Charles Okoth Owor | Member, ULS Representative |
| 5. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, PSC Representative |
| 6. Hon. Henry K. M. Kyemba | Member, Public Representative |
| 7. Hon. Grace Oburu | Member, Public Representative |
| 8. Hon. Fred Ruhindi | Attorney-General, ex-officio member |
| 9. Mr. Kagole E. Kivumbi | Secretary |

Members of the 5thJudicial Service Commission in the FY 2016/2017

Members of the 5th Judicial Service Commission since the promulgation of the 1995 Constitution were sworn in on 5thDecember, 2016.

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| 1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Kabiito | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Lady Justice Faith Mwendha | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Jotham Tumwesigye | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Hon. Amongin Aporu Christine | Member, Public Representative |
| 6. Hon. Rosemary Nyakikongoro | Member, Public Representative |
| 7. Ms. Ruth Sebatindira SC | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Ms. Norah Matovu Winyi | Member, ULS Representative |
| 9. Hon. William Byaruhanga | Attorney-General Ex-Officio |
| 10. Dr. Rose Nassali Lukwago | Secretary |

Members of the 5th Judicial Service Commission FY 2017/2018

Members of the 5th Judicial Service Commission sworn in on 5th December, 2016.

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| 1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Kabiito | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Lady Justice Faith Mwendha | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Jotham Tumwesigye | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Hon. Amongin Aporu Christine | Member, Public Representative |
| 6. Hon. Rosemary Nyakikongoro | Member, Public Representative |
| 7. Ms. Ruth Sebatindira SC | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Ms. Norah Matovu Winyi | Member, ULS Representative |
| 9. Hon. William Byaruhanga | Attorney-General |
| 10. Dr. Rose Nassali Lukwago | Secretary |

Members of the 5th Judicial Service Commission FY 2018/2019

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| 1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Kabiito | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Lady Justice Faith Mwendha | Deputy Chairperson |

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| 3. Hon. Justice Jotham Tumwesigye | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Hon. Amongin Aporu Christine | Member, Public Representative |
| 6. Hon. Rosemary Nyakikongoro | Member, Public Representative |
| 7. Ms. Ruth Sebatindira SC | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Ms. Norah Matovu Winyi | Member, ULS Representative |
| 9. Hon. William Byaruhanga | Attorney-General, ex-officio member |
| 10. Dr. Rose Nassali Lukwago | Secretary |

Members of the 6th Judicial Service Commission FY 2019/2020

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| 1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Kabiito | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Lady Justice Faith Mwendha | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Jotham Tumwesigye | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Dr. Laban Nnini Kirya | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Hon. Amongin Aporu Christine | Member – Public Representative |
| 6. Hon. Rosemary Nyakikongoro | Member – Public Representative |
| 7. Ms. Ruth Sebatindira SC | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Ms. Norah Matovu Winyi | Member, ULS Representative |
| 9. Hon. William Byaruhanga | Attorney-General, ex-officio member |
| 10. Dr. Rose Nassali Lukwago | Secretary |

Members of the Judicial Service Commission FY 2021/2022.

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| 1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Kabiito | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Faith Kalikwani Mwendha | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Stella Arach Amoko | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| 4. Mr. Johnson Bitarabeho | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Mr. Jimmy Okello | Member, Public Representative |

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| 6. Mr. Badru Lubega Wagwa | Member , Public Representative |
| 7. Ms. Ruth Sebatindira, SC | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Ms. Norah Matovu Muwanga | Member, ULS Representative |
| 9. Hon. Kiryowa Kiwanuka | Attorney-General ex-Officio Member |
| 10. Dr. Rose Nassali Lukwago | Secretary |

Members of the 6thJudicial Service Commission in the FY 2022/2023

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| 1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Kabiito | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Faith Kalikwani Mwendha | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Justice Stella Arach Amoko | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| (passed on 17 th June, 2023) | |
| 4. Mr. Johnson Bitarabeho | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Mr Jimmy Okello | Member , Representative of the Public |
| 6. Mr Badru Lubega Wagwa | Member, Representative of the Public |
| 7. Ms. Ruth Sebatindira SC | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Ms. Norah Matovu Muwanga | Member, ULS Representative |
| 9. Hon. Kiryowa Kiwanuka | Attorney-General ex-officio member |
| 10. Dr. Rose Nassali | Secretary |

Members of the 6thJudicial Service Commission in the FY 2023/2024

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| 1. Hon. Justice Benjamin Kabiito | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Justice Faith Kalikwani Mwendha | Deputy Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Lady Justice Elizabeth Musoke | Member, Judiciary Representative |
| (from 20 th February 2024) | |
| 4. Mr. Johnson Bitarabeho | Member, Public Service Commission Representative |
| 5. Mr Jimmy Okello | Member, Representative of the Public |
| 6. Mr Badru Lubega Wagwa | Member, Representative of the Public |
| 7. Ms. Ruth Sebatindira, SC | Member, ULS Representative |
| 8. Ms. Norah Matovu Muwanga | Member, ULS Representative |

9. Hon. Kiryowa Kiwanuka Attorney-General ex-officio member

10. Dr. Rose Nassali Lukwago Secretary

As we put together this information, we are grateful to all those who assisted to provide the information. We acknowledge the service of all these persons who have made the Commission what it is today.

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