



REPUBLIC OF KENYA



PARLIAMENT

THE SENATE

**PETITION MADE TO THE SENATE ON BEHALF OF
MR. WACHIRA KARIUKI MUSA**

BY

**THE SPEAKER OF THE SENATE PURSUANT TO STANDING
ORDER NO. 220 AND 225**

September, 2014

I, the undersigned,

Wachira Kariuki Musa, a citizen of Kenya and resident in Nairobi's Umoja Estate draws the attention of the Senate to the following:-

1. **THAT**, the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK) (the statutory regulator of Accountants in Kenya), unduly and unfairly discriminates against holders of foreign accountancy qualifications.
2. **THAT**, I am a holder of such qualification from the Institute of Chartered Certified Accountants of the United Kingdom (ACCA-UK);
3. **THAT**, as per the Accountants Act of 2008, holders of such qualifications are required to have knowledge of local tax and the law;
4. **THAT**, I have knowledge of local tax and the law and obtained such after attending a three year technical Diploma in Accountancy course at the Mombasa Polytechnic (now Technical University of Mombasa) which was examined by the Kenya National Examination Council; and
5. **THAT**, I also have practical knowledge of both local tax and law, having worked in four different external audit firms in the last 16 years.

I hereby confirm:-

1. **THAT**, I have brought to the attention of the Institute the above facts;
2. **THAT**, in a meeting held in September 2013 with the Institute, they asked me to pay the requisite registration fee, apply for an exemption from the requirement to resit local tax and law examinations and thereafter apply for registration;
3. **THAT**, I did pay the requisite fees and applied for an exemption so that I can be duly registered as an accountant allowed to practice in Kenya; and
4. **THAT**, they have refused to enter my name in the register of accountants in Kenya and have thus consequently denied me a constitutional right to gain economically from my earned academic qualifications.

I hereby confirm that the issues in respect of which the petition is made are not pending before any court of law, or constitutional or legal body.

WHEREFORE your humble petitioner prays that the Senate-

1. Considers and resolves the matter and recommends to the regulatory Institute as aforementioned to enter my name into the register of accountants in Kenya; and
2. Intervenes and resolves the matter relating to my registration as an accountant and compensation for the lost income occasioned by delay in processing my application.

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