

**ATTORNEY REGISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION  
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS**

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In the Matter of: )  
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 ) Supreme Court No:  
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 Kimberly M. Foxx )  
 Joe Megats )  
 Mitchel Obama )  
 Tina Tchen )  
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**NOTICE OF FILING KIM FOX JOE MEGATS PROSECUTOR(S) DISBARMENT  
COMPLAINT**

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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on the 22nd **day of June, 2019**, I filed with the Clerk of the ARDC the attached **PROSECUTOR DISBARMENT COMPLAINT**

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**ATTORNEY MISCONDUCT COMPLAINT**

The Respondents Cook County State’s Attorney Kimberly M. Foxx and top deputy **First Assistant** Joe Magats charged with violating ARDC Rules, aided and abetted by Mitchell Obama.

“Foxx’s call to Johnson came after an influential supporter of the “Empire” actor reached out to Foxx personally: **Tina Tchen**, a Chicago attorney and former chief of staff for former First Lady **Michelle Obama**, according to emails and text messages provided by Foxx to the Chicago Sun-Times in response to a public records request.”<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> <https://chicago.suntimes.com/2019/3/13/18404894/records-former-michelle-obama-aide-smollett-relative-reached-out-to-kim-foxx>



### **MITCHELLE OBAMA**

First Lady Michelle Obama had her former chief of staff Attorney Tima Tchen Call Foxx and told her that that Michelle Obama wanted the charges against Jessie Smollett unlawfully dropped.



Tina Tchen | Sun-Times files | Sun-Times files

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Tchen passed Foxx’s number to a relative of the actor, and the ensuing conversations with the family member were cited by Foxx last month as the reason she recused herself from Smollett’s prosecution as the actor faces disorderly conduct charges for allegedly making a false police report.

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The Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission was established by the Illinois Supreme Court to deal with issues of professional misconduct of attorneys. The serious allegations of **professional misconduct** that the Complainant has raised and our contained in the Order dated **June 21, 2019** by **Judge Michael P. Toomin** In Re Appointment of Special Prosecutor marked as **Exhibit 1** regarding the Respondents are issues that must be resolved the the ARDC. The issues of professional Attorney prosecutorial misconduct raised by the Complainant in this complaint are issues that the Commission is solely empowered to act upon under the Illinois Rules of Professional Misconduct.



Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx | Sun-Times file photo



Joseph Magats is the prosecutor in the Cook County



**MAGA First News**



March 26 · 🌐

First Assistant State's Attorney Joe Magats explained Tuesday why Jussie Smollett was not charged for allegedly staging a hate crime. "We didn't exonerate him," Magats told New York Times reporter Julie Bosman. "Here's the thing — we work to prioritize violent crime and the drivers of violent crime. Public safety is our number one priority. I don't see Jussie Smollett as a threat to public safety." [ 102 more words ]

<https://magafirstnews.com/.../chicago-prosecutor-i-dont-see-.../>



**The New York Times**



March 26 · 🌐

The prosecutor Joe Magats said the charges were dropped after Jussie Smollett agreed to community service and to give up the \$10,000 he paid for his release. But Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Police Superintendent Eddie Johnson denounced the decision and renewed their criticism of Smollett.



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# Prosecuting Attorney in Smollett Case: I Believe He Is Guilty



BY: **Nic Rowan**  Follow @NicXTempore

March 26, 2019 8:15 pm



First Assistant Cook County State's Attorney Joseph Magats told CBS reporter Adriana Diaz that although the state is dropping charges against actor Jussie Smollett for faking a hate crime, he believes that Smollett is guilty.

Magats told Diaz that he does not believe that dropping charges either "vindicates" or "exonerates" Smollett, who is still insisting that he did not pay off two Nigerian brothers

to stage a late-night attack against him in Chicago last month, allegedly part of a self-promotion stunt by the actor to increase his pay on the TV show *Empire*.



WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that the Inquiry Board immediately assign this matter to a hearing, panel, that a date for hearing be immediately set, that the hearing be conducted and that the panel make findings of fact, conclusions of law and a recommendation for such discipline as is warranted by its findings.

**That the ARDC issue an order to suspend Kim Foxx, Joe Megats, Mitchell Obama and Tina Tchen from the practice of law pending its investigation.**  
**/s/Christopher Stoller Executive Director.**

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Date: June 22, 2019