

Lawyers: Chief Justice Must Resign

Sabola Citizenship

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A small group of lawyers held a peaceful demonstration in Parliament Square today against government's granting of citizenship to Chief Justice J.C. Gonsalves Sabola.

Coming a day after Prime Minister Hubert Ingraham described the citizenship controversy as "nonsense," the demonstrators renewed their call for Mr. Sabola's resignation and vowed to take the issue world-wide.

The demonstration is the first in a series of calculated steps to attempt to force Mr. Sabola, a native of Guyana, to resign as chief Justice. Mr. Sabola applied for citizenship on December 5, 1994. He was sworn in as a citizen of The Bahamas on February 5th.

Lawyers Fred Mitchell, Fred Smith, Jeannie Thompson, Kenyatta Gibson, Marion Bethel Sears, Dexter Johnson and Glenys Hanna-Martin marched peacefully in front of a bust of Sir Milo Butler, the first Bahamian Governor General. The lawyers were joined by Zandal Forbes, a member of the Free National Movement's Council.

