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Elton Mangoma

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Elton Mangoma is a Zimbabwean politician. He is the current presidential candidate for the [Coalition of Democrats](#) which will contest the 2018 Harmonised Elections. He is also the President of the [Renewal Democrats of Zimbabwe](#) political party.

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Born

(1955-11-09) November 9, 1955 (age 63)

[Makoni, Manicaland](#)

Citizenship

Zimbabwe

Education

[Goromonzi High School](#)

Occupation

- Politician
- Accountant

Known for

Being a Politician

Political party

[Renewal Democrats of Zimbabwe Coalition of Democrats](#)

Spouse(s)

Nancy Mangoma

He is one of the founding members of the [Movement for Democratic Change](#) (MDC) in 1999 and he went

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on to join [MDC Renewal Team](#) after its split from the former in April 2014. He was Minister of Energy and Power Development during the [Government of National Unity](#) era.

In March 2018, Mangoma was reported to be the subject of an investigation for his alleged involvement in [Wicknell Chivayo's](#) Gwanda Solar project tender award whilst he was Minister of Energy ^[1]

Background

Elton Steers Mangoma was born on 9 November 1955 in [Makoni, Manicaland](#). His father, [Solomon Sekesai Mangoma](#), was a nationalist who spent years in detention during the [Ian Smith](#) regime at [Hwahwa](#) and [Gonakudzingwa](#) prisons. ^[2]

Education

Mangoma attended [Goromonzi High School](#). At university, he graduated with a Bachelor of Accountancy Honors degree becoming one of the first blacks Chartered Accountants in post-independent [Zimbabwe](#). Mangoma also holds a Masters of Business Leadership (MBL) degree. ^[3]

Positions Held

Mangoma has held several top business posts with reputable companies in Zimbabwe. His expertise facilitated his appointment as the minister of Energy from 2010 to 2013 during the [Government of National Unity](#) (GNU). Other positions he held include:

- Minister of Energy (2010)
- Managing Director of Corporate Excellence(2000–present)
- Minister of Economic Planning and Investment Promotion (2009 - 2010)
- National Assembly Member - [Makoni Central](#) (2008)
- Partner of Management Consultancy, Kudenga & Co (1995 - 1999)
- National Reconstruction and Development Board chairman (1995)
- Management Consultant of [Hunyani Holdings Ltd](#) (1992 - 1994)
- General Manager of [Chibuku Breweries](#) (1991 - 1992)
- President of the Institute of [Chartered Accountants of Zimbabwe](#) (1990)
- Financial Manager of Chibuku Breweries (1989 - 1991)
- Financial Manager of [Delta Corporation](#) (1987 - 1987)
- Group Finance Director for Delta Corporation (1987 - 1992)
- Deputy General Manager of Agricultural Finance Corporation (1982 - 1983)
- Financial Manager for Colgate Palmolive (1982 - 1987)
- Deputy General Manager for Deloitte & Touche (1978 - 1982)

Major Successes

Mangoma was co-chairperson of the [Joint Monitoring and Implementation Committee](#) (JOMIC) which was tasked with the monitoring of reforms under GNU. He and other co-chairpersons ensured tolerance

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and unity across the political divide that saw a reduction in political violence. He advocated for practical nonviolence instead of mere utterances by the main major political parties.^[4] He was also part of the management committee in the [Constitution Select Committee](#) (Copac) that ensured the successful drafting and endorsement of a new constitution in 2013.

Factionalism in the MDC-T

Mangoma became one of the first people to openly call for [Morgan Tsvangirai](#) to step down as MDC-T president in 2014. Mangoma wrote a four-page letter in January 2014 and handed it personally to Tsvangirai but the letter was leaked to the media.^[5] This did not go down well with the MDC-T leader who then allegedly assaulted Mangoma at the party's headquarters in [Harare](#). The assault was said to have been organized by Tsvangirai.^[6] Mangoma was on Friday, March 7, 2014, suspended for from the MDC pending investigations about his letter.^[7]

As MDC-Renewal Team member

In 2014, Mangoma was part of the MDC-T leaders who broke away from their party to form a new party following internal differences. This resulted in Mangoma being recalled from parliament and by-elections were to find a new replacement. While in the newly formed party, Mangoma is said to have been involved in power wrangles with [Tendai Biti](#) as the two were vying for the presidency of the newly formed party. In June 2015, Mangoma would be suspended pending disciplinary action on charges of violence and divisive behaviour while he was serving as the treasurer-general^[8]

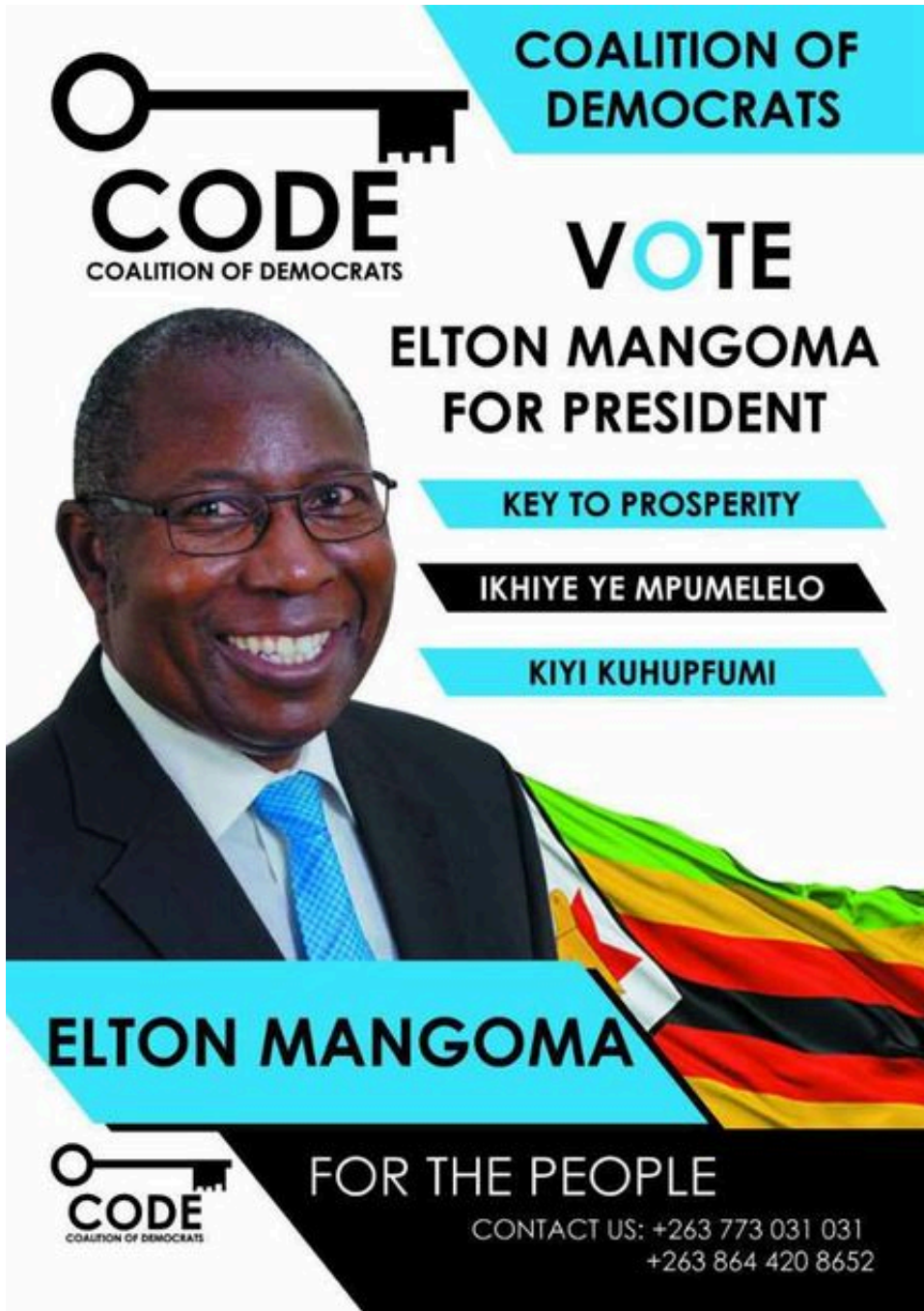
Renewal Democrats of Zimbabwe

In early June 2015, Mangoma would go on to form his own political party together with former [MDC-T Manicaland](#) spokesperson [Pishai Muchauraya](#), former [MDC](#) youth secretary-general [Promise Mkwanzu](#), [Trust Chikohora](#) and [Fidelis Mugari](#).^[8] He would state that the party would pursue a “modern nationalism ideology”. Mangoma accused his former colleagues in the Renewal Team of “deviation from the [Mandel Declaration](#) (that laid the basis of the party’s foundation) which they hold to be timeless and sacrosanct”.^[8]

Coalition of Democrats (CODE)

In October 2017, Mangoma was nominated presidential candidate for CODE in Zimbabwe's [2018 Harmonised Elections](#).^[9]

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The poster features a portrait of Elton Mangoma, a man with glasses in a suit and blue tie, smiling. The background includes the Zimbabwean flag. Text elements include the CODE logo (a key icon and the text 'CODE COALITION OF DEMOCRATS') in the top left and bottom left. A light blue banner at the top right says 'COALITION OF DEMOCRATS'. The word 'VOTE' is prominently displayed in the center. Below it, 'ELTON MANGOMA FOR PRESIDENT' is written in bold. Three horizontal banners contain the slogans: 'KEY TO PROSPERITY' (light blue), 'IKHIYE YE MPUMELELO' (black), and 'KIYI KUHUPFUMI' (light blue). A large light blue banner at the bottom left says 'ELTON MANGOMA'. A black banner at the bottom right says 'FOR THE PEOPLE' and provides contact numbers: '+263 773 031 031' and '+263 864 420 8652'.

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VOTE

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FOR PRESIDENT**

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[Elton Mangoma](#) 2018 Election Poster as CODE Presidential Candidate

In March 2018, ZimFirst and Progressive Democrats of Zimbabwe (PDZ) announced that they were leaving CODE citing incompetence by Mangoma. [\[10\]](#)

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Personal life

Mangoma is married to [Nancy Mangoma](#) and the two have three sons.^[11]

Controversy

Corruption Allegations

Mangoma was arrested in Harare by the Zimbabwe Republic Police for crimes committed while he was still a cabinet minister between 2008 and 2013. Mangoma was accused of flouting tender procedures. He was released on bail pending legal recourse.^[12]

Adultery Allegations

In May 2015, Mangoma was accused of snatching his colleague's wife. It is believed that Mangoma fell in love with [Believe Tevera](#)'s wife named [Yemurai Maravanyika](#) and the latter left the matrimonial home after Mangoma had allegedly sought her accommodation somewhere. Mangoma and Tevera were both in the leadership of the [MDC Renewal Team](#). The story became public when [Whatsapp](#) messages were leaked to the media. After the incidence, Tevera is said to have been assaulted by Mangoma's supporters for humiliating their leader.^[13]

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