

Pro-Luzhkov Suit Rejected

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The Supreme Court threw out on Tuesday a challenge to the dismissal of former Mayor Yury Luzhkov filed by Moscow lawyer Anatoly Lemeshev, a court spokeswoman said by telephone.

The Supreme Court had refused to consider Lemeshev's lawsuit, but the lawyer appealed last month.

In the lawsuit, filed with the Supreme Court last month, Lemeshev, 53, challenged President Dmitry Medvedev's September decision to fire Luzhkov and demanded evidence that Luzhkov had done something worthy of dismissal.

But the law does not require the president to elaborate on his decision, Kommersant said. City Duma Speaker Vladimir Platonov has said the only person would could appeal the ouster was Luzhkov, and he had only 10 days to act after his dismissal. Luzhkov is not contesting his firing.