

# ESPN Sports Commentator Suspended for Urging Boycott California Cowboys' Sponsors

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Jamele Hill, a commentator on the sports channel ESPN, has been suspended for two weeks after she made a second violation of the company's social media guidelines when she urged viewers to boycott the Dallas Cowboys' advertisers. This was because the owner of the team announced that any player that refused to stand respectfully for the national anthem would be benched. He said: "Stand for the anthem or sit for the game." Last month, Hill tweeted that President Trump was a "white supremacist".

Update (10:00 pm ET): President Trump has thrown his support once again behind Jerry Jones decision, following Al Sharpton's threats...

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Update (4:00 pm ET): None other than Al Sharpton has already come out denouncing ESPN's decision to enforce their corporate bye-laws...

Quickly followed by a full statement:

*"We consider it outrageous that Jemele Hill was suspended by ESPN. She has the right to tell people that they ought to let advertisers know how they feel, since they are the consumers. While she didn't call for a direct boycott, it's not off the table for us in the civil rights community."*

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