

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
MINUTES
December 3, 2021

The Board of Ethics met on December 3, 2021 at 9:07 a.m. in the LaBelle Room on the 1st floor of the LaSalle Building located at 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana with Board Members Bãnos, Bruneau, Couvillon, Ellis, Grand, Lavastida, McAnelly, Roberts, Scott and Speer present. Absent was Board Members Colomb. Also present were the Ethics Administrator, Kathleen Allen; Executive Secretary, Carolyn Abadie Landry; and Counsel Tracy Barker, David Bordelon, Sue Mooney, Charles Reeves, and Gregory Thibodeaux.

Board Member Colomb arrived at 9:10 a.m.

The Board considered a waiver request in Docket No. 21-625 regarding the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Raymond S. Childress, a successful candidate for District Judge, 22nd Judicial District Court, Division A, St. Tammany Parish, in the November 3, 2020 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 28 days late. On motion made, seconded and passed by a vote of 8 yeas by Board Members Bãnos, Colomb, Ellis, Lavastida, McAnelly, Roberts, Scott and Speer and 3 nays by Board Members Bruneau, Couvillon, and Grand, the Board suspended all but \$500 based on future compliance.

Treasurer Ashton M. Jackson appeared before the Board requesting a waiver in Docket No. 21-756 representing Royce Duplessis, a candidate for State Representative, 93rd Representative District in a future election, who was assessed a \$2,000 campaign finance late fee for a 2020 Annual campaign finance disclosure report that was filed 57 days late. In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure and after hearing from Mrs. Jackson, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board suspended all but \$1,000 of \$2,000 late fee based on future compliance.

Ms. Barrett Beasley appeared before the Board with an advisory opinion request in Docket No. 21-846 on behalf of Judge Stephen Beasley, 11th JDC in Sabine Parish regarding the appropriate use of campaign funds. In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure and after hearing from Ms. Beasley, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board concluded that since it was determined that Judge Beasley did not participate in the conduct which was alleged to have occurred in the Motion to Recuse, Judge Beasley is not prohibited from using surplus campaign contributions to reimburse himself for payment of legal fees in connection with the recusal hearing.

Greg Bodin appeared before the Board requesting that the Board waive the \$3,000 campaign finance late fee in Docket No. 21-635, assessed against Baker Donelson LA PAC, a political committee, its committee's chairperson, Nyka Scott, and treasurer, Wilton Jerry Johnson, whose February 2020 Monthly Report campaign finance report was filed 15 days late. In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure and after hearing from Mr. Bodin, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board suspended all but \$500 of the \$3,000 late fee based on future compliance. The \$500 is payable within 20 days and if payment is not received within 20 days, the full amount of the late fee becomes due and owing.

Easton W. Shelvin, St. Landry Parish Council / District 3, appeared before the Board regarding Docket No. 21-862 requesting the Board to consider a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2019 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure 42 days late. After hearing from Mr. Shelvin, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board suspended all but \$500 of the \$2,500 late fee based on future compliance.

Senator Mack “Bodi” White; Brett Farr, attorney for Ryan Scardina and Dennis

McGehee; and, attorney Gray Sexton, attorney for Ronnie Albritton, Nelson Morvant, and Todd Talbot appeared before the Board to request that the Board dismiss the charges against members of the Capitol Area Ground Water Conservation Commission in Docket No. 2019-632.

Board Member Bãnos left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

A motion was made to go into executive session, seconded and failed by a vote of 9 to 1 with Board Member Speer objecting.

A motion was made, seconded to amend agenda and failed by a vote of 8 to 2 with Board Members Roberts and Speer objecting.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board went into Executive Session at 10:33 a.m.

The Board recessed at 10:34 a.m. and returned at 10:48 a.m.

Executive Session

The Board returned to General Session at 11:25 a.m.

Board Member Ellis left the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take action on items G5-G10 en globo subject to any items being removed from the en globo listing for further discussion.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the staff recommendations on items G5-G10, excluding item G6, G7, G9 and G10 taking the following

action:

The Board adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 21-773 regarding Lori Whatley, Administrative Coordinator with the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), regarding possible nepotism if her husband is hired as Superintendent. The Board concluded since Lori Whatley has been employed continuously with the DOTD Maintenance Unit for more than one year, she would not be prohibited from continuing her employment with DOTD in the event her husband becomes Superintendent over the DOTD Maintenance Unit. A disqualification plan should be submitted to prevent a potential violation of Section 1112B(1) of the Code of Governmental Ethics by Mr. Whatley if he is hired as Superintendent.

The Board adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 21-831 regarding Marcus Peterson, Police Juror for Jefferson Davis Parish, relative to his teaching Emergency Medical Responder classes to employees of the Jefferson Davis Fire District #1. The Board concluded that Marcus Peterson would be prohibited from contracting and/or transacting with the Jefferson Davis Fire District #1 to teach Emergency Medical Responder classes to the fire department while he serves as a police juror for Jefferson Davis Parish since as a member of the governing authority, as well as an elected chief executive of a governmental entity, Marcus Peterson's agency is considered to be Jefferson Davis Parish Government, which includes the Jefferson Davis Fire District #1.

Board Member Ellis returned to the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

The Board considered an advisory opinion request in Docket No. 21-829 regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prevent Trenton Broussard, an employee of the Streets Department of the City of Jennings from bidding on work with the Inspectors Office. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board concluded that Mr. Broussard would

not be prohibited by Section 1113A of the Code of Governmental Ethics from bidding on or entering into a contract with the City of Jennings Inspectors office since the contract is not under the supervision or jurisdiction of his agency, the City of Jennings Streets Department and provided that the work is not done during Mr. Broussard's work hours for the City.

John Brumfield and his daughter appeared before the Board to observe the advisory opinion request in Docket No. 21-830 from Mendy Escudier, on behalf of the East Baton Rouge Parish Coroner's Office, as to whether one of its employees, who is Mr. Brumfield's daughter, may obtain an exception from the Code of Governmental Ethics in order to continue working with its office on a contract basis after leaving full-time employment. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics prohibits the employee, for a period of two years following the termination of her public employment, from contracting with EBRPCO to render the same services she rendered as an employee of EBRPCO.

The Board considered an advisory opinion request in Docket No. 21-883 regarding whether Byron Hurst would be prohibited from being employed with the Louisiana Department of Education as the Deputy Assistant Superintendent for Student Well-Being while serving as a member of the St. Helena Parish School Board. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board concluded the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Hurst from holding both public positions provided he is not performing work for the school board while providing work for the Dept. of Education. However, Mr. Hurst should be directed to the Attorney General's Office to seek guidance regarding whether the dual-office holding laws may be implicated.

The Board considered an advisory opinion request in Docket No. 21-884 regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prevent Toby Henry, a recently elected Justice of the Peace for Terrebonne Parish Ward 7, from continuing to teach medical classes at the Houma Fire Department. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board concluded that Mr. Henry's continued service as both Justice of the Peace for Terrebonne Parish Ward 7 and medical instructor for the Houma Fire Department is not prohibited by the Code of Governmental Ethics, since pursuant to Section 1167 of the Code., justices of the peace are governed exclusively by the provisions of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

The Board considered the following general business agenda items:

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board approved the minutes of the November 4th and November 5th, 2021 meetings.

The Board considered a proposed consent opinion in Docket No. 20-714 regarding Richard J. "Rick" Smith, Jr.'s use of campaign funds to make payment to his daughter. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted for publication the consent opinions.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered the Ethics Adjudicatory Board Order in Docket No. 21-925 regarding Patrick J. Harrington, candidate for Parish Commission, District 1, Caddo Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, for his failure to file a 2019 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board instructed the staff to assess penalties in accordance with Section 1505.4A(4)(b) of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act in connection with the 2019 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report in the amount of a \$10,000 civil penalty.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered the Ethics Adjudicatory Board Order in Docket No. 21-926 regarding Donald "D.T." Thompson, a candidate for Chief of Police, City of Opelousas, in the November 6, 2018 election, for his failure to file a 2019 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board instructed the staff to assess penalties in accordance with Section 1505.4A(4)(b) of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act in connection with the 2019 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report in the amount of a \$10,000 civil penalty.

Kathleen Allen went over specific wording changes to a draft of a letter regarding recommendations for 2022 legislation by the Board to be submitted to the Legislature and the Governor.

Board Member Couvillon left the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board approved the draft of letter removing Paragraph 3 about electioneering communication and making changes to Paragraphs #6, #11, and #13. The Board instructed staff to return the issue regarding electioneering communication to the Board's January agenda.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board approved the proposed changes to forms and rules to correspond to legislation enacted during the 2021 Regular Legislative Session.

The Board discussed promulgating a rule to allow for the acceptance of electronic signatures on reports filed with the Louisiana Board of Ethics. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board instructed staff to promulgate the rule.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board

unanimously agreed to take action on the requests for “good cause” waivers of late fees assessed against candidates and committees included in the Campaign Finance Waiver Chart en globo subject to any items being removed from the en globo listing for further discussion.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the staff recommendations on the items in the Campaign Finance Waiver Chart, excluding Docket Nos. 21-461, 21-630, 21-634, 21-646, 21-648, 21-804 and 21-832 taking the following action:

The Board unanimously declined to waive the late fees assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-465 from Lionel “Lon” Burns, 10-P of a \$2,500 late fee;
Docket No. 21-465 from Lionel “Lon” Burns, 10-G of a \$2,500 late fee;
Docket No. 21-629 from Black Organization for Leadership Development, 10-G of a \$3,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-632 from Rapides Parish Democratic Executive Committee, Ann2019 of a 3,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-633 from Spanish American Voters Alliance, 10-G of a \$3,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-636 from TravelPAC, MO Feb 2020 of a \$1,600 late fee;
Docket No. 21-637 from Falconer PAC, 30-P of a \$3,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-639 from Cynthia Green Perry, 30-P of a \$280 late fee;
Docket No. 21-639 from Cynthia Green Perry, 10-G of a \$120 late fee;
Docket No. 21-639 from Cynthia Green Perry, EDE-P of a \$320 late fee;
Docket No. 21-639 from Cynthia Green Perry, 40-G of a \$320 late fee;
Docket No. 21-640 from Gregory Rome, SUPP2019 of a \$600 late fee;
Docket No. 21-645 from Kristian Poncho, SUPP2019 of a \$600 late fee;
Docket No. 21-795 from Blaise W. Smith, 10-G of a \$780 late fee;
Docket No. 21-795 from Blaise W. Smith, ANN2020 of a \$300 late fee;
Docket No. 21-797 from Atoundra Pierre Lawson, SUPP2020 of a \$2,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-798 from Oscar Dantzler, Jr., 10-G of a \$200 late fee;
Docket No. 21-800 from Vickie Tolliver Auguste, 10-P of a \$500 late fee;
Docket No. 21-800 from Vickie Tolliver Auguste, 10-G of a \$100 late fee;
Docket No. 21-803 from Charles “Bert” Deliberto, 40-G of a \$2,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-805 from Betty Alford-Olive, 30-P of a \$40 late fee;
Docket No. 21-805 from Betty Alford-Olive, EDE-P of a \$40 late fee;
Docket No. 21-805 from Betty Alford-Olive, 10-G of a \$40 late fee;
Docket No. 21-806 from Lee J. Taylor, 10-G of a \$960 late fee;
Docket No. 21-807 from Cory T. Levier, 10-P of a \$600 late fee;
Docket No. 21-807 from Cory T. Levier, 10-G of a \$600 late fee;
Docket No. 21-811 from HAFA PAC, MO Nov 2019 of a \$2,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-811 from HAFA PAC, MO Feb 2020 of a \$400 late fee; and,
Docket No. 21-811 from HAFA PAC, MO July 2020 of a \$400 late fee.

The Board unanimously reduced the late fee to \$2,000 based on Rule 1205C, and declined to waive the late fee assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-631 from Louisiana Common Sense Fund-IE, 10-G of a \$2,400 late fee.

The Board suspended all the late fee but \$500 based on future compliance and contingent upon payment of remaining amount within 20 days of receipt of result letter assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-638 from La for Personal Freedoms, Inc., 40-E of a \$1,000 late fee.

The Board reduced the late fee to \$600 based on Rule 1205C, and declined to waive the late fee assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-761 from Howard Scott Lavergne, 10-P of a \$1,980 late fee; and,
Docket No. 21-799 from Toney Edwards, SUPP2020 of a \$2,000 late fee.

The Board unanimously rescinded, based on Rule 1205B(3), the late fees assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-796 from J. Schuyler Marvin, SUPP2020 of a \$1,080 late fee;
Docket No. 21-801 from Ryan Gatti, SUPP2020 of a \$2,000 late fee; and,
Docket No. 21-801 from Ryan Gatti, SUPP2020 of a \$2,000 late fee.

The Board unanimously rescinded, based on Rule 1205D, the late fee assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-802 from Valeria “Val” Stevens, 30-P of a \$2,000 late fee.

The Board suspended all the late fee but \$200 based on future compliance and contingent upon payment of remaining amount within 20 days of receipt of result letter assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-812 from David Charles Logan, Sr., 30-P of a \$1,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-812 from David Charles Logan, Sr., 10-P of a \$1,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-812 from David Charles Logan, Sr., 10-G of a \$1,000 late fee; and,
Docket No. 21-834 from Randy Pijor, 10-G of a \$600 late fee.

The Board suspended all the late fee but \$100 based on future compliance and contingent upon payment of remaining amount within 20 days of receipt of result letter assessed against the following:

Docket No. 21-833 from Wilfred “PJ” Allridge, III, 10-P of a \$1,000 late fee;
Docket No. 21-833 from Wilfred “PJ” Allridge, III, 10-G of a \$1,000 late fee; and,
Docket No. 21-833 from Wilfred “PJ” Allridge, III, 40-G of a \$1,000 late fee;

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-461, of the \$1,000, and \$200, campaign late fees assessed against D. Nicole Sheppard, a successful candidate for Judge, Traffic Court, Division D, Orleans Parish, in the October 19, 2013 election, whose 2017 and 2019 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 28 and 2 days late, respectively; and a request to waive a \$200 campaign finance late fee assessed against D. Nicole Sheppard, a successful candidate for Judge, Civil District Court, Division J, Orleans Parish in the October 14, 2017, whose 2019 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was 2 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred to a future meeting.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-630, to waive a \$2,800 campaign finance late fee assessed against Community Provider PAC, a political action committee, and its committee's chairperson, Matthew Rovira, whose 2020 Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board reduced the late fee to \$2,000 based on Rule 1205C and declined to waive the \$2,000 late fee.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-634, for a waiver of the \$3,000 and \$1,600 campaign finance late fees assessed against The Voice of the People, LLC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Sidney D. Torres, IV, and treasurer, Michele Chaisson, in the November 3, 2020 election and future election, whose 10-G and 2020 Annual campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 93 and 8 days late, respectively. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fees.

Board Member Bruneau recused himself from voting on Docket No. 21-646.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-646, for a waiver of the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Forum for Equality PAC, a political committee, its committee's chairperson, Kenny Tucker, and treasurer, Randy Evans, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fee.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-648, for a waiver of the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Andrew Casanave, an unsuccessful candidate for District Judge, 14th Judicial District Court, ES 2, Div. G, Calcasieu Parish, in the November 3, 2020 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure reports was filed 36 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board suspended all but \$600 of the late fee based on future compliance.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a waiver request in Docket No. 21-804, for a waiver of the \$800 campaign finance late fee assessed against Stephanie Bridges, an unsuccessful candidate for Judge, Criminal District Court, Section K, Orleans Parish, in the November 3, 2020 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter until a future meeting.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a waiver request in Docket No. 21-832, for a waiver of the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Marie Williams, an unsuccessful candidate for Judge, Juvenile Court, Section A, Orleans Parish and her committee's chairperson, Betty Williams, and treasurer, Armin

Williams, in the November 3, 2020 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 13 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter until a future meeting.

The Board considered a waiver request in Docket No. 21-828, for a waiver of the \$150 and \$800 late fees assessed against Carol Smith for failure to timely file a Supplemental Lobbying Registration Report and a June 2021 Lobbying Expenditure Report. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the \$150 and \$800 late fees and did not reassess the \$450 late fee that was suspended by the Board in Docket No. 20-873.

The Board unanimously agreed to take action on the requests for “good cause” waivers of late fees assessed against individuals contained in the Personal Financial Disclosure Waiver Chart en globo subject to any items being removed from the en globo listing for further discussion.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the staff recommendations on the items in the Personal Financial Disclosure Waiver Chart, excluding Docket Nos. 21-735, 21-736, 21-850, 21-856, 21-857 and 21-862 taking the following action:

The Board unanimously suspended all based on future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics against the following:

Docket 21-673 Shelley Wells, 2019 Tier 2.1, 16 days late of a \$800 late fee;
Docket 21-848 Theresa Glenn, 2019 Tier 3, 204 days late of a \$500 late fee;
Docket 21-851 Dorothy McGaskey, 2019 Tier 3, 9 days late of a \$225 late fee;
Docket 21-852 Terika Walker, 2019 Tier 3, 6 days late of a \$150 late fee;
Docket 21-852 Terika Walker, 2020 Tier 3, 6 days late of a \$150 late fee;
Docket 21-853 Barbara David, 2019 Tier 3, 2 days late of a \$50 late fee;
Docket 21-854 Nicole Rogers, 2019 Tier 2.1, 22 days late of a \$1,100 late fee;
Docket 21-859 Jasmyne McConnel, 2019 Tier 2.1, 18 days late of a \$900 late fee;
Docket 21-860 Vincent Sotile, 2019 Tier 2.1, 7 days late of a \$350 late fee;
Docket 21-861 Stephanie Guileyardo, 2019 Tier 2.1, 6 days late of a \$300 late fee;
Docket 21-863 Rebecca Beard, 2019 Tier 2.1, 12 days late of a \$600 late fee;
Docket 21-864 Donna Green, 2019 Tier 2.1, 11 days late of a \$550 late fee;
Docket 21-865 Tara Hawkins, 2018 Tier 2.1, 13 days late of a \$650 late fee; and,

Docket 21-865 Tara Hawkins, 2019 Tier 2.1, 13 days late of a \$650 late fee.

The Board unanimously suspended all but \$1,250 based on future compliance with the reporting requirements and offered a payment plan against the following:

Docket 21-694 Harold Stewart, Jr., 2019 (C) Tier 2, 308 days late of a \$2,500 late fee.

The Board declined to waive the late fees and offered a payment plan against the following:

Docket 21-694 Harold Stewart, Jr., 2019 Annual Tier 2, 308 days late of a \$2,500 late fee;
and,

Docket 21-868 Antionette Shields, 2019 Tier 3, 107 days late of a \$500 late fee.

The Board waived the late fees for the following:

Docket 21-855 Dennis Bamburg, 2019 (AM) Tier 2, 193 days late of a \$2,500 late fee.

The Board declined to waive the late fees against the following:

Docket 21-854 Nicole Rogers, 2020 Tier 2.1, 60 days late of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket 21-869 Alphonse Cedeur, 2019 Tier 2, not filed of a \$2,500 late fee;
Docket 21-871 Alan Arnold, 2019 Tier 2.1, 14 days late of a \$700 late fee; and,
Docket 21-872 Neil Bernard, 2019 Tier 3, 5 days late of a \$125 late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-735 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against John Campbell, unsuccessful candidate for Terrebonne Parish Council / District 2 in the October 12, 2019 election for filing his amended 2018 Tier 2 candidate personal financial disclosure 585 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board suspended all but \$1,000 based on future compliance with the reporting requirements of the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-736 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against David Weathersby, East Jefferson General Hospital Service District, for filing his 2019 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statements 118 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-850 for a waiver of the \$150 late fee assessed against Charles Lane Sawyer, North Delta Regional Planning and Development District, for filing his 2019 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statements 3 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-856 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Carol Stanley "Carly" Collier, Doyline Board of Aldermen / Webster Parish, for filing her 2019 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statements 96 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fee and offer a payment plan.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 21-857 for a waiver of the \$300 late fee assessed against Rene' M. Thibodeaux, Sheriff / Pointe Coupee Parish, for his amended 2019 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement that was filed 3 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the late fee.

The Board unanimously agreed to take action on the staff recommendations in G21-G22 en globo subject to any items being removed from the en globo listing for further discussion.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the staff recommendations on the items in G21-G22, excluding Docket No. 21-808 and 21-866 taking the following action:

The Board declined to consider the untimely waiver requests for the 2017 and 2018 Annual personal financial disclosures and declined to waive the 2019 Annual personal financial disclosure late fee on the untimely waiver requests in Docket No. 21-867 submitted by Marilyn Hayward Jones, Cheneyville Board of Aldermen, Rapides Parish, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2017 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure 1080 days late, untimely

waiver request regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2018 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure 583 days late; and, a timely waiver request regarding \$500 late fee assessed for filing her 2019 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure 59 days late.

The Board reaffirmed the decision to decline to waive in Docket No. 21-430 a \$400 late fee assessed against Tyler J. Turner, a successful candidate for Council Member, Division D, City of Gonzales, Ascension Parish, in November 3, 2020 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 86 days late.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board voted to reconsider the untimely waiver request in Docket No. 21-808.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a waiver request in Docket No. 21-808 regarding the \$1,000, \$1,000 and \$480 campaign finance late fees assessed against Melinda "Mel" Narcisse Mitchell, a successful candidate for Mayor, City of St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish, in the March 24, 2018 election, whose 10-P, 40-G and 2018 Supplemental campaign finance reports were filed 197, 107 and 12 days late, respectively. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board with respect to the 10-G and SUPP2018 reports, reduced the late fees to \$400 based on Rule 1205C and declined to waive the \$400 late fees. With respect to 40-G, the Board declined to waive the \$480 late fee.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board voted to reconsider the untimely waiver request in Docket 21-866.

The Board reconsidered the untimely waiver request in Docket No. 21-866 submitted by Antoine L. Jackson, Eastover Property Owners Association, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed

for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure 110 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board suspended all but \$450 of the \$1,500 late fee based on future compliance with the Code of Ethics. The \$450 is payable within 20 days and if payment is not received within 20 days, the full amount of the late fee becomes due and owing.

Kathleen Allen presented Accommodation from the Board of Ethics to Board Member Bruneau for his years serving the Board.

Kathleen Allen presented Chairman McAnelly with a plaque for his years serving as Chairman of the Board of Ethics.

Kathleen Allen presented plaques to Board Member Colomb and Roberts for their years serving the Board of Ethics.

The meeting adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Secretary

APPROVED:

Chairman