



Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building
First Floor - LaBelle Room
SEPTEMBER 1, 2022
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on September 1, 2022 and continue to September 2, 2022.

Executive Session

Consideration of complaints and reports deemed confidential pursuant to Section 1141 of the Code of Governmental Ethics.

Discussion in Executive Session related to charges filed against Darren Lewis and Derrell Martin in Docket No. 2021-334.

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GENERAL

Appearances

G1. Docket No. 22-499

Advisory Opinion request regarding post employment restrictions as they pertain to a current employee of the DOA who previously served as designee of Commissioner on the Louisiana Firefighters' Retirement System's Board of Trustees.

G2. Docket No. 22-501

Request for reconsideration of an advisory opinion issued to Jeff Reynolds, former Vice-Chancellor at the LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport.

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

- G3.** Docket No. 22-356
Advisory Opinion request from Christopher Wolff, an employee of the IT Department of the City of New Orleans, regarding potential consulting work outside of his public employment.
- G4.** Docket No. 22-407
Request for Advisory Opinion regarding potential Code violations if an owner of several nighttime businesses accepts a position as Director of the Office Nighttime Economy for the City of New Orleans.
- G5.** Docket No. 22-459
Advisory opinion request as to the application of the post-employment restrictions in the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") that apply to a former West Feliciana High School Assistant Principal Matt Paxton.
- G6.** Docket No. 22-460
Advisory Opinion request regarding a councilmember of Livingston Parish being appointed to an administrative position in the office of the Parish President and the Parish President being appointed to an administrative position of his successor.
- G7.** Docket No. 22-461
Advisory Opinion request regarding the employment of a retired certified teacher of St. Tammany Parish School Board while her sister serves as a School Board member.
- G8.** Docket No. 22-463
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted by Donald G. Womack, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit Top Hand Oilfield Services ("Top Hand") and Womack Brothers, LLC ("Womack Brothers") from being inspected by the Louisiana Department of Conservation ("LDC") as long as other Conservation Enforcement Agents perform the required inspections.
- G9.** Docket No. 22-465
Advisory Opinion request from James Knight on behalf of the Town of Franklinton as to whether the daughter of the Franklinton Town Clerk may bid on adjudicated property through the Town's tax sales.
- G10.** Docket No. 22-477
Request for an advisory opinion as to whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would require police officers, who are members of the Crescent City Lodge #2 of the Fraternal Order of Police, are required to file disclosure statements pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1115.2 disclosing the receipt of travel and lodging from the Cescent City Lodge #2 of the Fraternal Order of Police to attend conferences of the National Fraternal of Police in the discharge of their duties as lodge delegates for the Crescent City Lodge #2 of the Fraternal Order of Police.
- G11.** Docket No. 22-478
Advisory Opinion request on behalf of Orleans Parish Sheriff Susan Hutson as to whether Timothy David Ray is prohibited from contracting with the Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office ("OPSO") while his mother, Deborah Chatman, is employed by OPSO.
- G12.** Docket No. 22-480
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, for Denise G. Miller, regarding whether the

Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit her from continuing to serve as Secretary for the Evergreen Fire Protection District while her husband - Kevin Miller - serves on the Board of Commissioners.

- G13.** Docket No. 22-484
Disqualification Plan request from Calcasieu Parish School Board regarding Robert and Dielle Barrentine.
- G14.** Docket No. 22-485
Request for Approval of Disqualification Plan involving Shannon LaFargue, Superintendent of Calcasieu School Board, and his wife, Angela LaFargue, employee in the Accounting and Budget Department.
- G15.** Docket No. 22-500
Advisory opinion request from former Orleans Parish Schools Superintendent Henderson Lewis Jr., Ph.D regarding the application of the post-employment restrictions in the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") following his employment with the Orleans Parish School Board (OPSB).
- G16.** Docket No. 22-502
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted by Fire Chief Christopher Bourgeois, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit a Captain employed by the Schriever Fire Protection District ("District") [as the District's Office Manager] from maintaining his rank as Captain after the District's planned reorganization of the Schriever Volunteer Fire Department ("Department").
- G17.** Docket No. 22-503
Request for an advisory opinion as to whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit Debra Savoie, member of the Iberia Parish School Board, from providing compensated services to the Iberia Medical Center while the Iberia Medical Center administers the Hospital Community Outreach Program.
- G18.** Docket No. 22-504
Advisory Opinion request and request for approval of disqualification plan regarding new CEO of Collegiate Academics employing his wife as Chief Talent Officer.
- G19.** Docket No. 22-505
Disqualification Plan request from Livingston Collegiate Academy, regarding Akeem and Ahmad Langham.
- G20.** Docket No. 22-518
Advisory Opinion Request regarding an Arcadia Councilman sitting on the Board of a bank that transacts business with the Town of Arcadia.
- G21.** Docket No. 22-525
Advisory opinion as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit DCFS employees from receiving compensation from a person who leases property to DCFS; and, whether a DCFS employee may accept employment from the property owner after termination of her employment.
- G22.** Docket No. 22-530
Withdrawal of advisory opinion request from Heather Hendrix, candidate for District Judge, 17th Judicial District Court, Division "A," Lafourche Parish in the November 8, 2022 election, related to contributions from and expenditures to other campaigns.

Regular Business

- G23.** Docket No. MINUTES
August 2022 Board Minutes
- G24.** Docket No. 21-139
Consent opinion for Rowdy Gaudet and Emergent Method, LLC relating to violations of Sections 1111C(2)(d) and 1117, respectively.
- G25.** Docket No. CALENDR
2023 Proposed Calendar for Meetings of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.
- G26.** Docket No. Report
Administrator's Report
- G27. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**
- Docket No. 22-506
Request that the Board waive a \$2,500 campaign finance late fee assessed against Juana Marine-Lombard, an unsuccessful candidate for Judge, Criminal District Court, Section A, Orleans Parish in the October 20, 2007 election, whose 2020 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 115 days late.
- Docket No. 22-507
Request that the Board waive the \$3,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against United Ballot and its committee's chairperson, Christopher Williams, whose 10-P report for the November 3, 2020 election was filed 56 days late.
- G28. WAIVER REQUESTS - HOSPITAL DISCLOSURE**
- Docket No. 22-371
Waiver request submitted by Karen Collins, a member of the Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2021 Hospital Disclosure Statement 318 days late.
- G29. WAIVER REQUESTS - UNTIMELY**
- Docket No. 20-263
Untimely request that the Board reconsider its decision to decline to waive a \$500 campaign finance late fee assessed against Roger Z. Toney, an unsuccessful candidate for Mayor, Town of Ball, Rapides Parish, in the October 12, 2019, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 21 days late.
- G30. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS**
- Docket No. 22-019
Request that the Board reconsider its decision to reduce and decline to waive the \$2,000, \$780 & \$720 campaign finance late fees assessed against, Joshua Cathedralle Lewis, an unsuccessful candidate for Mayor, City of Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish in the March 20, 2021 election, whose 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 34, 13 and 12 days late, respectively.