



Louisiana Board of Ethics

**LaSalle Building
First Floor - LaBelle Room
AUGUST 6, 2020
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Note: Meetings begin on August 6, 2020 and continue to August 7, 2020.

Installation of newly-appointed Louisiana Board of Ethics member, Mark A. Ellis.

Election of Vice Chairman for the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Executive Session

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

Discussion of charges filed against Stacey Jackson, Hall & Hall Enterprises, LLC, Richard Hall, Jr., Trellis Smith and Parish-Dubuclet Services in Docket No. 2008-747.

Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges against Stephanie Bachemin, Erin Caruso, and Abbey Caruso in Docket No. 2015-042.

Discussion in Executive Session of charges issued against Anthony Andre in Docket No. 2016-1063.

Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges against Kimberly Powell in Docket No. 2019-051.

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GENERAL

Appearances

- G1.** Docket No. 19-1025
Untimely waiver request submitted by Gregory M. Jordan, with the Jefferson Parish Economic Development and Port District (JEDCO), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 250 days late.
- G2.** Docket No. 19-1267
Request that the Board waive a \$300 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jocita Williams, a candidate for State Representative, 67th Representative District, EBR Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late.
- G3.** Docket No. 20-197
Request that the Board waive a \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Michael Brister, a candidate for Police Juror, District 4, Winn Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 26 days late.
- G4.** Docket No. 20-204
Waiver request submitted by William Mertz, candidate for Plaquemines Parish School Board in the November 6, 2018 election, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 3 Candidate PFD 499 days late.
- G5.** Docket No. 20-267
Request for reconsideration of the Board's decision to decline to waive the four (4) campaign finance late fees (\$3,000, \$3,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000) assessed against Tunica Biloxi Indians PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, David Rivas, Jr., and treasurer, Mark Brunson, in the October 12, 2019 election election, whose 180-P, 90-P, 30-P and 40-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 240, 151, 109, and 13 days late, respectively.
- G6.** Docket No. 20-300
PFD Answer filed by Joseph Piconne, III, a member of the Law Enforcement Officers and Fireman's Survivor Benefits Review Board.
- G7.** Docket No. 20-390
Request that the Board waive a \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against Erin Feys Powell, a candidate for State Representative, 89th Representative District, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 4 days late.

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

- G8.** Docket No. CHART
Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent August 2020 Agenda.
- G9.** Docket No. 20-452
Advisory opinion regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prevent Danielle Beneville from continuing to provide consulting services to Speduction Evaluation Services while she is employed with the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE).
- G10.** Docket No. 20-453
Request for an advisory opinion from Charles S. Long, City Attorney for the City of Donaldsonville, relative to the hiring of the mayor's son to work in his law firm. Donaldsonville has a population of 7,436 and is Ascension Parish.

- G11.** Docket No. 20-454
Advisory opinion regarding whether Ernest Bourdreaux, an employee of the Town of Lockport, may continue to be employed part-time by the town if he is elected to the Lockport Town Council.
- G12.** Docket No. 20-458
Request for review and approval of a Disqualification Plan, submitted by Warden Pat Johnson of the Ouachita Parish Correctional Center ("OPCC"), concerning the promotion of one twin sister to a supervisory rank within the medical unit.
- G13.** Docket No. 20-464
Advisory opinion regarding whether Deon Boudreaux, Chief of Port Barre Police Department, may utilize the general maintenance and custodial services of inmate work crews to provide services on church properties and nonprofit community organizations.
- G14.** Docket No. 20-553
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ) Assistant Secretary Perry Stagg from contracting with the Mississippi Department of Corrections.

Regular Business

- G15.** Docket No. MINUTES
July 2020 Board Minutes
- G16.** Docket No. 17-814
Consent opinion regarding David Caston and Impact Healthcare Solutions, LLC relative to entering into a contract with Reeves Memorial Medical Center.
- G17.** Docket No. 19-829
Advisory Opinion request from Margaret H. Kern, general civil counsel for the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff, Randy Smith, regarding tax sales.
- G18.** Docket No. 20-250
Advisory opinion request regarding post-employment restrictions that would apply to Sharon L. Barthelemy as a former employee of the City of New Orleans.

G19. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. Waiver
August 2020 CF Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 19-1136
Request that the Board waive a \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Nicholas R. P. Wright, a candidate for Mayor, City of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 2018 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 403 days late.

Docket No. 19-1261
Request that the Board waive a \$2,000 and \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against United Ballot, a political action committee, and its committee's chairperson, Christopher Williams, in the November 8, 2016 election, whose EDE-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 17 and 5 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 20-100
Request that the Board waive a \$840 campaign finance late fee assessed

against Robert "Bob" Bell, a candidate for State Senator, 16th Senatorial District, EBR Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

Docket No. 20-171

Request that the Board waive a \$420 and \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against Steve Rachal, a candidate for Sheriff, Natchitoches Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 7 and 4 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 20-172

Request that the Board waive the \$480, \$240 and \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Emil Brandly, Sr., a candidate for Sheriff Parish, Rapides Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 8 and 4 days late, respectively. The 10-G report has not been filed as of 7/20/2020.

Docket No. 20-184

Request that the Board waive a \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against James Harper, a candidate for State Representative, 1st Representative District, Bossier Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 54 days late.

Docket No. 20-189

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Wilfred "PJ" Allridge, III, in his capacity as a candidate for Council Member, District 2, Terrebonne Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 39 days late.

Docket No. 20-266

Request that the Board waive the \$60 and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against Robert Poole, a candidate for State Representative, 71st Representative District in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10-P & 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 1 & 13 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 20-312

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000, \$2,000 and \$300 campaign finance late fees assessed against Natchez "Trey" Morice, a candidate for St. Mary Parish Coroner in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 55, 35 and 5 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 20-325

Request that the Board waive a \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Vincent Smith, a candidate for Sheriff, Claiborne Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 36 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 20-462

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Scott Perry, Jr., a candidate for Police Juror, District I, Rapides Parish in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 64 days late.

Docket No. 20-477

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000, \$400, \$1,000 and \$160 campaign finance late fees assessed against Carl "Carlee" Harding, a candidate for Council Member, District 2, Terrebonne Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 30-P, 10-P, 10-G and 40-G campaign finance disclosure

reports were filed 88, 90, 33 and 4 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 20-478

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jeff Pittman, a candidate for Council Member, District 9, St. Tammany Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10- G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 125 days late.

Docket No. 20-479

Request that the Board waive a \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Gerald W. "Jerry" Tanner, a candidate for Assessor, West Feliciana Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 10- G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 20-480

Request that the Board waive a \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Terry Allen Baker, a candidate for Mayor, Town of Ball, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

G20. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. waiver

August 2020 PFD Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 20-466

Waiver request submitted by Lawrence Hall, former Constable / 7th Justice Court / Jefferson Parish, regarding a \$1700.00 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 2 annual pfd 17 days late.

Docket No. 20-467

Waiver request submitted by Judith "Judy" Goodwyne-Miranti, Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, regarding a \$2500.00 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 2 annual pfd 1250 days late.

Docket No. 20-468

Waiver request submitted by Heather Langley Doss, former member of the Louisiana Lottery Board, regarding a \$1500.00 late fee assessed for filing her 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 417 days late.

Docket No. 20-469

Waiver request submitted by Jerry Wayne Beatty, Concordia Parish Police Jury / District 4, Place A, regarding a \$1500.00 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 66 days late.

G21. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS

Docket No. 19-1129

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by Aundra Harris, with the Lake Bullard Neighborhood Improvement Assoc., regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for failing to file her amended 2018 Tier 2.1 annual pfd.

Docket No. 19-1198

Request for reconsideration that the Board waive a \$3,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Securing Louisiana's Future, a political action committee, and its committee's chairperson, Joel Riter, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 90-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 29 days late.

Docket No. 20-041

Request to reconsider the Board's suspension of all but \$1050 of a \$1500 late

fee assessed against Dwan Troy Johnson, former member of the Terrebonne Parish Levee & Conservation District, for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 247 days late.

Docket No. 20-049

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by Reginald Cedric Prealow, Jr., with the Coushatta Town Council, Red River Parish (Pop. 1,964), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 162 days late.