



Louisiana Board of Ethics

**LaSalle Building
First Floor - LaBelle Room
DECEMBER 20, 2019
9:30 AM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Executive Session

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

Discussion in Executive Session in Docket Nos. 2009-807, 2010-190 and 2011-247 regarding charges issued against Robert Marionneaux.

Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Walter Reed in Docket No. 2014-888.

Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges issued against Ronnie Remedies in Docket No. 2016-829.

Discussion in Executive Session of Charges issued against Ron Bourgeois and REECO Rental & Supply in Docket No. 2018-757.

GENERAL

Appearances

G1. Docket No. EABSELC

Appearance by Emalie A. Boyce, Director of the Division of Administrative Law, to select administrative law judges to serve on the panels of the Ethics Adjudicatory Board, as well as an alternate.

G2. Docket No. 19-1127

Waiver request submitted by Sybil Haydel Morial, with the New Orleans Science and Mathematics Charter School, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for failing to file her 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd.

G3. Docket No. 19-1201

Request that the Board waive a \$300 campaign finance late fee assessed against Vereta Tanner Lee, a candidate for Member of School Board, East Baton Rouge, District 2, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late.

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

- G4.** Docket No. CHART
Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent December 2019 Agenda.
- G5.** Docket No. 19-841
Withdrawal of a request for advisory opinion, submitted by Atty. Alesia Ardoin, regarding a request for reconsideration of an advisory opinion previously issued by the Board in Docket No. 2018-401 - July 23, 2018.
- G6.** Docket No. 19-941
Emergency advisory opinion concerning Kenneth Boudreaux, a Lafayette City-Parish Councilman, participating in the council's approval of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government's Budget for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year.
- G7.** Docket No. 19-1011
Request for an advisory opinion from Brett LeBlanc relative to post employment restrictions following his retirement from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.
- G8.** Docket No. 19-1105
Advisory Opinion request submitted by Ricardo Mekdessie regarding his ability to bid on a request for proposal from the Louisiana Uniform Local Sales Tax Board.
- G9.** Docket No. 19-1112
Request for an advisory opinion from Richard Ieyoub, Commissioner of Conservation, as to whether the Office of Conservation can accept the donated services of the LMOGA Foundation to modify software donated to the Office of Conservation by the State of Montana.
- G10.** Docket No. 19-1113
Advisory Opinion request submitted on behalf of the Village of Mooringsport (Caddo Parish, pop. 793) regarding whether the Village may employ its former mayor as either a contract employee or part-time employee.
- G11.** Docket No. 19-1114
Advisory Opinion request from Donovan Archote, Troop B Commander with Louisiana State Police, as to his wife applying for and obtaining a Type 2 video gaming establishment license.
- G12.** Docket No. 19-1115
Advisory Opinion request from Reggie Bagala, Representative-Elect for District 54, as to whether he can serve in certain positions with Lafourche Parish Government.
- G13.** Docket No. 19-1174
A request for an advisory opinion, submitted by Assistant District Attorney and Parish Attorney O'Neil J. Parenton, Jr., concerning whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit brothers, Derrin and Dayne Duplessis, from simultaneously working for Ascension Parish Government.
- G14.** Docket No. 19-1177
Advisory opinion request as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Dustin L. Harrell, who is employed with LSU, from accepting employment with Koch Agronomic Service.

- G15.** Docket No. 19-1178
Advisory opinion on behalf of Opelousas General Hospital Authority d/b/a Opelousas General Health System ("OGHS") as to whether Robert L. Wolfe, Jr., or his company, Morgan Goudeau & Associates, Inc., would be prohibited from performing engineering and land surveying services for OGHS projects.
- G16.** Docket No. 19-1206
Advisory opinion request regarding fundraising activities by Alvin Turner, Jr., District Judge, Ascension Parish.
- G17.** Docket No. 19-1207
Advisory Opinion request submitted by Jon K. Guice on behalf of the Evangeline Parish School Board, regarding the limitations on the employment of an immediate family member of a school principal as a classroom teacher in the principal's school.
- G18.** Docket No. 19-1208
Request for an advisory opinion to approve a disqualification plan relative to Joseph Bonaventure and Michael Bonaventure being employed with the Office of State Buildings, Electrical Division.
- G19.** Docket No. 19-1209
A request for an advisory opinion, submitted by Leslie Lacy, concerning whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit her from starting a fund that will furnish foster children with dental braces before they age out of the foster care system while she is an attorney with the State of Louisiana Mental Health Advocacy Service, Child Advocacy Program ("CAP").
- G20.** Docket No. 19-1210
Advisory Opinion request from Darrin Bedell, Board Director for Innovative Educational Solutions, Inc., regarding possible post-termination restrictions on members of the Board of Directors.
- G21.** Docket No. 19-1216
Advisory Opinion request submitted by the Cameron Parish School Board regarding hiring a former Cameron Parish Assistant District Attorney to manage property leases.
- G22.** Docket No. 19-1217
Advisory Opinion request from Emmy O'Dwyer, employed by the Louisiana Department of Education, whether she could sit as a Board Member for Abeona House Child Discovery Center in New Orleans.
- G23.** Docket No. 19-1276
Advisory Opinion request from Keldrick Walker with Breaux's Driving School regarding the hiring of Christopher Milligan.
- G24.** Docket No. 19-1277
A request for an advisory opinion, submitted on behalf of the Town of Golden Meadow, concerning whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Town of Golden Meadow elected council members from executing written servitudes with the Town of Golden Meadow and receiving the appraised value as compensation.

Regular Business

- G25.** Docket No. MINUTES
November 2019 Board Minutes

G26. Docket No. 16-1064

Consent order signed by Curtis Mack concerning his violations of La. R.S. 42:1111A, 1112A, and 1111C(2)(d), the former program manager for the Olmstead Grant Program for LDH, who received \$2,210 from the grant program funneled through the Christian Outreach Center for housing customers of the center at apartments owned by Mack.

G27. Docket No. 19-889

Advisory Opinion request from Debbie Villio, State Representative-elect for District 79, as to a professional services agreement with the La. Attorney General.

G28. Docket No. 19-1205

Advisory Opinion request submitted by the Sabine Parish Police Jury regarding hiring a father and son as superintendent and assistant superintendent of the parish landfill.

G29. Docket No. 19-1218

A request for an advisory opinion, submitted by Logan J. Hunt, concerning whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics prohibits him from continuing his employment with Argent Mineral Management, LLC ("AMM") after being elected to the Lincoln Parish Police Jury ("LPPJ").

G30. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**Docket No. chart**

December 2019 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 19-1132

Request that the Board waive the \$280 and \$920 campaign finance late fees assessed against Anna Reed, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 5, City of Monroe, Ouachita Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 7 and 23 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 19-1134

Request that the Board waive the \$1,800 campaign finance late fee assessed against Timala H. Melancon, a candidate for BESE, District 7, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 90-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 18 days late.

Docket No. 19-1135

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Billy Spikes, a candidate for Councilmen at Large, City of DeRidder, Beauregard Parish, in the March 24, 2018 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 466 days late.

Docket No. 19-1198

Request that the Board waive two \$3,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Securing Louisiana's Future, a political action committee, and its committee's chairperson, Joel Riter, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 180-P and 90-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 122 and 29 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 19-1200

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kevin "Butchie" Ambeau, Sr., a candidate for Chief of Police, City of St. Gabriel, Iberville Parish, in the March 30, 2019, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 166 days late.

Docket No. 19-1202

Request that the Board waive a \$660 campaign finance late fee assessed against Raoul Armando "Skip" Galan, a candidate for State Senator, 10th Senatorial District, Jefferson Parish, in the October 12, 2019, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

Docket No. 19-1203

Request that the Board waive a \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against Sherri LaGrone, a candidate for Clerk of Court, Pointe Coupee Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 4 days late.

Docket No. 19-1204

Request that the Board waive a \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Walter Ray "Beau 22" Wesley, a candidate for Sheriff, Livingston Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

G31. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYINGDocket No. WaiChar

December 2019 Lobbying Waiver Request Chart

Docket No. 19-1111

Request to waive the \$700 late fee assessed against Cynthia Duet for filing her 2019 lobbying registration 14 days late.

Docket No. 19-1213

Request to waive the \$150 late fee assessed against Marcy Copeland for the late filing of the September 2019 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

Docket No. 19-1214

Request to waive the \$150 late fee assessed against Papaloo Rock Ete for the late filing of the September 2019 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

Docket No. 19-1215

Request to waive the \$300 late fee assessed against Ana Gale-Orellana for the late filing of the September 2019 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

G32. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSUREDocket No. waiver

December 2019 PFD Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 19-1117

Waiver request submitted by James Alton "Jamie" Clifton, Jr., with the Oil City Board of Aldermen/District 5/Caddo Parish (Pop. 1,008), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 68 days late.

Docket No. 19-1118

Waiver request submitted by Wydette LaCaze Williams, Sheriff/ East Carrol Parish, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 2 annual pfd 53 days late.

Docket No. 19-1119

Waiver request submitted by Ana Margaret Perez, former member of the Virtual Academy of Lafourche, regarding a \$1450 late fee assessed for filing her 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 29 days late.

Docket No. 19-1121

Waiver request submitted by Jerry Wayne Bell, Mayor/Lake Providence/ East Carroll Parish (Pop. 3,991), regarding a \$650 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 13 days late.

Docket No. 19-1123

Waiver request submitted by Don Lawrence O'Toole, Sr., with the West Monroe Convention and Visitors Bureau, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 190 days late.

Docket No. 19-1124

Waiver request submitted by Kellie DeRouen Duhon, with Volunteer Louisiana Commission, regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 2 days late and a \$100 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 2 days late.

Docket No. 19-1131

Waiver request submitted by Justin Perez Arnold, Sr., former member of the Northshore Charter School, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 71 days late.

Docket No. 19-1194

Waiver request submitted by Russell Henry Jack, Jr., former member of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board, District 1, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 3 annual pfd 152 days late.

Docket No. 19-1195

Waiver request submitted by Dayton House, former member of the Stonebridge Property Owners Association, regarding a \$1450 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 29 days late.

Docket No. 19-1196

Waiver request submitted by Linda T. Guidry, former member of the Tourist Commission, Lafourche Parish, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 32 days late.

Docket No. 19-1197

Waiver request submitted by Mattie Preston, candidate for Senate/District 36 in the October 12, 2019 election, regarding a \$700 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 2 candidate pfd 7 days late.

G33. WAIVER REQUESTS - SCHOOL BOARD DISCLOSURE

Docket No. waiver

December 2019 School Board Disc. Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 19-1116

Waiver request submitted by Jeremy Hidalgo, member of the Lafayette Parish School Board, regarding a \$450 late fee assessed for filing his 2019-2020 School Board Disclosure Statement 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-1120

Waiver request submitted by Elroy Broussard, a member of the Lafayette Parish School Board, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing his 2019-2020 School Board Disclosure Statement 10 days late.

Docket No. 19-1122

Waiver request submitted by Bobby Chapman, a member of the Richland Parish School Board, regarding a \$400 late fee assessed for filing his 2019-2020 School Board Disclosure Statement 8 days late.

Docket No. 19-1130

Waiver request submitted by Obie Hill, a member of the Bayou Community Charter School Board, regarding a \$950 late fee assessed for filing his 2019-2020 School Board Disclosure Statement 19 days late.

G34. WAIVER REQUESTS - OTHER DISCLOSUREDocket No. 19-1021

Waiver request submitted by Paul Bergeron, Sr., member of the Sulphur City Council, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing a his 2018 Public Servant Financial Disclosure Statement (R.S. 42:1114) 28 days late.

Docket No. 19-1125

Waiver request submitted by Todd Berthelot, son of Riley Berthelot, Jr., West Baton Rouge Parish President, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Public Servant Financial Disclosure Statement (R.S. 42:1114) 128 days late.

G35. WAIVER REQUESTS - UNTIMELYDocket No. 19-1126

Untimely waiver request submitted by Jolan Herbert Jolivette, with the Lafayette Public Library Board of Control, regarding a \$150 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 3 days late.