



**Louisiana Board of Ethics**

**LaSalle Building  
First Floor - Griffon Room  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2019  
2:30 PM  
617 North 3rd Street  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

**Note: Meetings begin on September 19, 2019 and continue to September 20, 2019.**

**Executive Session**

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

Discussion in Executive Session of charges filed against Daniel Eitmann in Docket No. 2017-652.

Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Demonk Greely in Docket No. 2018-783.

Discussion in Executive Session of pending charges against Joseph and Charlotte Prothro in Docket No. 2018-1406.

Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges issued against Melissa Newman in Docket No. 2019-024.

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9:00 AM  
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**GENERAL**

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Appearances

- G1. Docket No. 18-497**  
Request to reconsider the Board's decision to suspend all but \$1,050 of a \$1500 Late Fee assessed against Michael Glenn Landrum, former member of the South Burbank Crime Prevention and Development District, for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 304 days late.
- G2. Docket No. 18-717**  
Request to reconsider the Board's suspension of all but \$750 of a \$1500 late fee assessed against Sharon Green, with the Workforce Development - First Planning District, for filing her 2015 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 82 days late.
- G3. Docket No. 19-744**  
Request that the Board waive a \$760 campaign finance late fee assessed against Patrick Kirton, a candidate for Councilman, District C, City of Shreveport, Bossier & Caddo Parishes, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 19 days late.

### **Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions**

- G4. Docket No. CHART**  
Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent September 2019 Agenda.
- G5. Docket No. 19-496**  
Advisory Opinion request from Lee Chastant, CEO, concerning the West Feliciana Hospital Board contracting with Dr. Nnamdi Nwabueze, husband of Board member Stacie Nwabueze.
- G6. Docket No. 19-699**  
Advisory Opinion request from Michelle D. Craig, General Counsel for a non-profit (name unknown).
- G7. Docket No. 19-741**  
Advisory opinion request regarding the Village of Cankton contracting with a former Village Councilman.
- G8. Docket No. 19-745**  
Advisory opinion request, submitted by Julie W. Champagne, regarding whether the St. Mary Parish Library Board may enter into a business contract with Firmin + Laiche, Ltd.
- G9. Docket No. 19-770**  
Advisory opinion request, submitted by Bridgett T. Tanner, regarding whether the Code would prohibit Phyllis L. Miller from remaining on the Grambling Housing Authority Board while serving as a member of the Grambling City Council.
- G10. Docket No. 19-771**  
An advisory opinion request, submitted by Eliska Brooks, LCSW, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit her from providing private provider services to private health insurance companies and Louisiana Medicaid/Medicare programs.
- G11. Docket No. 19-822**  
Request for an advisory opinion from Blake Guidry, a former engineer with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development relative to post-employment restrictions.
- G12. Docket No. 19-823**

Disqualification plan for Lieutenant Michael Smith, Louisiana State Police, regarding his brother, Master Trooper Ronnie Smith, Louisiana State Police.

- G13.** Docket No. 19-824  
Request for an advisory opinion from Pamela Verrett, a teacher in Terrebonne Parish (pop. 111,860), who would like to sell LegalShield services and teach children in China online.
- G14.** Docket No. 19-825  
Advisory opinion request from Milton Cavalier regarding ethics training requirements.
- G15.** Docket No. 19-827  
Request for an advisory opinion from Bryan Duhon, an employee of the Acadia Parish (pop. 61,773) First Ward Drainage District, relative to his being appointed as a member of the board for the Drainage District.
- G16.** Docket No. 19-828  
Advisory opinion request as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Shannon Stout from providing compensated services to a company that sells educational programs while she is employed with Livingston Parish Public Schools.
- 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. 19-831  
Request for an advisory opinion from Christina Melton, Deputy Director for Louisiana Public Broadcasting (LPB), regarding whether she can receive royalties as author of a book, purchased by LPB and used as a promotion for fundraising activities.
- G19.** Docket No. 19-837  
Advisory Opinion request from Dr. James Corley, DVM, President, Louisiana Board of Veterinary Medicine, regarding the retirement of Executive Director Wendy Parrish.
- G20.** Docket No. 19-838  
Advisory opinion request as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit a member of the District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS) Board of Trustees from entering into a contract for personal investment services with a provider that currently has a contractual relationship with DARS.
- G21.** Docket No. 19-839  
Request for an advisory opinion from Lydia Young, a Senior Compliance Analyst for the Louisiana Department of Administration's Office of Community Development, relative to her contracting with Fields Professional Services & Consulting, Inc. to provide internal audit services to the City of New Orleans.
- G22.** Docket No. 19-842  
Advisory opinion regarding whether members of the West Feliciana Parish Hospital Service District are required to file annual personal financial disclosure statements pursuant to R.S. 42:1124.2.1.
- G23.** Docket No. 19-847  
Request for an advisory opinion from Paul J. Hogan, St. Charles Parish (pop. 52,812) Councilman relative to submitting an application for a building permit

with the St. Charles Parish Planning and Zoning Department.

**G24. Docket No. 19-892**

Advisory Opinion request from Sen. Karen Carter Peterson regarding her providing consulting services to Mueller Water Products, Inc.

**Regular Business**

**G25. Docket No. MINUTES**

August 2019 Board Minutes

**G26. Docket No. 15-885**

Consent opinion concerning Pauline Snell for violations of La. R.S. 42:1111A and La. R.S. 42:1111C(2)(d) in connection with her receipt of funds from Project Celebration while being employed by the Town of Many and Northwestern State University.

**G27. Docket No. 16-001**

Consent Order of Lavonne Ratcliff for entering into transaction with the Oak Island Neighborhood Improvement District while his wife served as a board member.

**G28. Docket No. 17-298**

Consent opinion concerning Maxine Trahan, former employee of the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office, regarding her embezzlement of cash.

**G29. Docket No. 19-826**

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Ronnie Chaisson, a member of the Thibodaux Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors may continue to service department vehicles as an employee of Sunbelt Fire, Inc.

**G30. Docket No. 19-887**

Advisory opinion request submitted by Antonio Ferachi, General Counsel 1 for the Louisiana Department of Revenue, regarding his displaying artwork at a gallery owned by an attorney that has a contract with the Louisiana Department of Revenue to provide legal services.

**G31. Docket No. CALENDR**

2020 Proposed Calendar for Meetings of the Louisiana Board of Ethics

**G32. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**

Docket No. chart

September 2019 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 19-195

Request that the Board waive a \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Tammy Dabadie, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 6, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018, election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

Docket No. 19-451

Request that the Board waive a \$440 & \$80 campaign finance late fee assessed against Wendy O'Quin-Perrette, a candidate for Mayor, City of Bogalusa, Washington Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 11 and 2 days late.

Docket No. 19-488

Request that the Board waive a \$640 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jackie Ju Ju Vallare, a candidate for Alderman, Ward 2, City of Eunice,

Acadia and St. Landry Parishes, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 16 days late.

Docket No. 19-539

Request that the Board waive a \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kristy Hebert, a candidate for Member of School Board, District H, Vermilion Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 50 days late.

Docket No. 19-768

Request that the Board waive the \$800 campaign finance late fee assessed against LA Padiapac, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Keith Perrin, MD, whose February 2019 Monthly Report campaign finance report was filed 14 days late.

Docket No. 19-772

Request that the Board waive \$800 campaign finance late fees assessed against Forestry Political Action Council, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Carl Wells and treasurer, Norman Welch, in the February 23, 2019 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 19-773

Request that the Board waive a \$180 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ollie Tyler, a candidate for Mayor, City of Shreveport, Bossier & Caddo Parishes, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 3 days late.

**G33. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING**

Docket No. 19-821

Request to waive the \$100 late fee assessed against Tyler Daniel for the late filing of the May 2019 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

Docket No. 19-832

Request to waive the \$100 late fee assessed against Dr. Tia Mills for filing her 2019 lobbying registration 2 days late.

**G34. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

Docket No. waiver

September 2019 Personal Finance Disclosure Waiver Chart

Docket No. 19-833

Waiver request submitted by Karen B. Fernandez, former member of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 304 days late.

Docket No. 19-835

Waiver request submitted by Harold Pierite, Sr., with the State Police Commission, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 152 days late.

Docket No. 19-836

Waiver request submitted by Mr. Craig D. Blackburn, former member of the Developmental Disabilities Council, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 380 days late.

**G35. WAIVER REQUESTS - UNTIMELY**

Docket No. 19-834

Untimely waiver request submitted by Jakov Jurisic, with the Oyster Task Force, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 35 days late.

**G36. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS**Docket No. 18-1452

Request to reconsider the Board's decision to decline to waive the \$1500 late fee assessed to Lasonia Denise Haley, with the Caddo Parish Sewerage District # 2, for filing her amended 2016 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 153 days late .

Docket No. 19-466

Request to reconsider the Board's decision to suspend all but \$650 of a \$1500 late fee assessed against Sheila Green- McCorkle, with the Algiers Development Corporation, for filing her 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 146 days late.

Docket No. 19-467

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by Mr. Jeremy Freeman, Constable/Ward 2/ Washington Parish, regarding two \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2016 and 2017 Tier 3 annual pfd 196 and 196 days late, respectively.