

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
MINUTES
June 15, 2018

The Board of Ethics met on June 15, 2018 at 9:00 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 Couvillon, Lavastida, Leggio, McAnelly, Meinert, Mouton-Allen and Roberts present. Absent were Board members Brandon, Bruneau, Dittmer and Smith. Also present were the Ethics Administrator, Kathleen Allen; the Executive Secretary, Deborah Grier; and Counsel Tracy Barker, David Bordelon, Jennifer Land, Suzanne Mooney, Brett Robinson, and Greg Thibodeaux.

Ms. Allen administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Board member, Sarah Couvillon.

Ms. Lauren Fitch, report preparer for Gerald “Jermarr” Williams, appeared before the Board, in its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, in connection with a request in Docket No. 16-810 for a waiver of the \$1,000 late fee assessed against Mr. Williams, a candidate for Mayor of the Town of White Castle in the November 4, 2014 election, for filing the EDE-G campaign finance disclosure report 582 days late. After hearing from Ms. Fitch, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,000 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

Ms. Lisa L. Mills, a member of the Hurstville Security District, appeared before the Board in connection with a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 17-721 for a waiver of the \$1,400 late fee assessed against her for filing her 2015 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 28 days late. After hearing from Ms. Mills, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the

Board declined to waive the \$1,400 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics.

Chairman McAnelly recused himself from consideration of Docket No. 18-100 and vacated the Chair. Vice Chairman Leggio assumed the Chair.

Ms. Barbara Reich Freiberg, a member of the East Baton Rouge Parish Metro Council, District 12, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 18-100 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against her for filing her amended 2016 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 92 days late. After hearing from Ms. Freiberg, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the \$2,500 late fee.

Chairman McAnelly resumed the Chair.

Mr. Leonard H. Sedlin, a member of the Louisiana Naval War Memorial Commission, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 18-487 for a waiver of the \$100 late fee assessed against him for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 2 days late. After hearing from Mr. Sedlin, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$100 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics.

Mr. Charles David "Chuck" Garrett, a former member of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, District 6, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 18-492 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against him for filing his 2015 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 152 days late. After hearing from Mr. Garrett, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee.

Mr. Michael Anthony Lacombe Sr., a member of the Avoyelles Parish School Board, District

7, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 18-504 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against him for filing his amended 2016 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 104 days late. After hearing from Mr. Lacombe, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$2,500 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take action on items G7-G19 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 G7-G19 taking the following action:

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-110 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Lionel Wilson, a former employee in the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) unit of the Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC), working as a consultant for a community action agency that has dealings with his prior employer, the CSBG unit of LWC; however, Section 1121B of the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Mr. Wilson, for a period of two years following the termination of his public employment, from assisting the agency in transactions or in an appearance in connection with a transaction with his former public agency in which he participated in while employed with LWC.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-227 concluding that members of the Audubon Regional Library Board are required to file annual personal financial disclosure statements pursuant to Section 1124.2.1 of the Code of Governmental Ethics, since the Audubon Regional Library Board

was created by two political subdivisions, East Feliciana Parish and St. Helena Parish, and has the authority to expend, disburse or invest \$10,000 or more in funds in a fiscal year.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-379 concluding that (1) no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Brian Shedd, Assistant Director of the Office of Innovation & Technology Commercialization (ITC) at Louisiana State University (LSU), consulting and/or teaching for other colleges and departments within the LSU system, and, (2) no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics would be presented by Mr. Shedd providing consulting services to companies that interacted with ITC while he was Assistant Director of ITC, since the consulting services would not be associated with the job responsibilities associated with the Assistant Director of ITC. Furthermore, Mr. Shedd would specifically exclude providing any assistance on the management of any intellectual property and any agreements that he may have participated in while employed with ITC.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-402 concluding that, based upon the facts as presented, no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Monique Baham owning or operating a driving school while she is employed or after the termination of her public service with the Division of Administrative Law as an Administrative Law judge.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-403 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Darren Tyus, a former employee of Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation (LCPIC), rendering services as an attorney on behalf of the Johnson, Yacoubian & Paysse law firm to LCPIC, since Mr. Tyus will not be providing the same services under contract to LCPIC and he will not be assisting another person for compensation in transactions in which he participated while employed with LCPIC.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-404 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Tamara Hingle owning and operating a driving school in Louisiana, or being employed by an auto title company or public tag agency if she leaves her position as Office Manager for the New Orleans East Office of Motor Vehicles, as long as the persons she is providing services to do not apply for permits or licenses with her former agency, the New Orleans East Office of Motor Vehicles. Ms. Hingle is considered an agency head as the Office Manager of New Orleans East Office Motor Vehicles. Therefore, she could not receive compensation from any person who would attend her driving school in connection with their attainment of a license or permit involving the New Orleans East Office of Motor Vehicles. Additionally, Ms. Hingle would not be prohibited by Section 1121B(1) of the Code of Governmental Ethics from being employed by an auto title company or public tag agency since these services are not being rendered back to her former agency. However, she would be prohibited for two years after she leaves her position from assisting any person, for compensation, involving any transaction with the Office of Motor Vehicles in which she participated as an employee of the New Orleans East Office of Motor Vehicles.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-405 concluding that Sections 1113A(1)(a) and 1111C(2)(d) of the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit R. Denise Stevenson, a Sanitarian with the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), from owning a restaurant within the Region 2 area while she is employed as a Sanitarian for LDH assigned to an area within Region 2. Although Ms. Stevenson intends to locate the restaurant outside of the area where she is assigned, the restaurant would be located within Region 2 and it is possible that she could be assigned to investigate restaurants anywhere within Region 2.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-415 concluding that Section 1113B of the

Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Bryan Duhon, a heavy equipment operator employed by the First Ward Drainage Board of Acadia Parish, from being appointed to the Board of the First Ward Drainage Board of Acadia Parish while being employed by the Drainage Board, since as a board member, Mr. Duhon would be supervising the entire Drainage Board of which he is employed.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-511 concluding that Section 1113A(1)(a) of the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit The Ferry Stop, which is owned by Urban Treuil, an employee of the Plaquemines Parish Sheriff's Office (PPSO), and his wife, from selling fuel to the PPSO's Patrol Division-District 3 departmental vehicles while Mr. Treuil is employed by the Division, since Mr. Treuil's agency is the Patrol Division-District 3. Only the employees of this District would be prohibited from purchasing fuel for their departmental vehicles from The Ferry Stop. Any other departmental vehicles not within Mr. Treuil's agency would not be prohibited from purchasing fuel from The Ferry Stop.

Declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-512 regarding whether a violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics occurred when the Lafourche Parish Council voted on April 24, 2018 to terminate a contract to provide legal defense services to Lafourche Parish President James B. Cantrelle to defend him in a federal lawsuit, since the request involved past conduct.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-513 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Erin Rabalais serving as an appointed member of the West Feliciana Parish Hospital Board while she is employed as an investigator with the West Feliciana Parish Coroner's Office.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 18-519 concluding that, based upon the facts as presented, no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Jason Curole, a former

employee of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA), and /or his employer, GHD Services, Inc., providing services to CPRA through both a professional services mechanism and a consulting services mechanism, since Mr. Curole will not be providing the same services under contract to, for, or on behalf of CPRA that he provided as a CPRA employee, and Mr. Curole will not be assisting GHD for compensation in transactions in which he participated while employed by CPRA.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take action on items G20-G26 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 G20-G26 taking the following action:

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 18-270 by Andrew Amedee, Jr., a former member of the Mary D. Coghill Accelerated Charter School Board (Better Choice Foundation), in response to the receipt of a Notice of Delinquency requesting that he file his 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Amedee that he was required to file a 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement on or before May 15, 2017, since he was still serving as a member of the charter school board in 2016 and that failure to file may result in the assessment of late fees.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 18-393 by Robert Couhig, III, a former member of the International High School of New Orleans Charter School Board, in response to the receipt of a Notice of Delinquency requesting that he file his 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Couhig that he is not required to file

a 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, since his service ended in 2014.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 18-396 by Dr. Joseph Busby, Jr., a member of the State Board of Medical Examiners, in response to the receipt of a Notice of Delinquency requesting that he file his 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Dr. Busby that he was required to file a 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement on or before May 15, 2017, since his service ended in December, 2016 and that failure to file may result in the assessment of late fees.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 18-507 by James Strong, Sr., a former member of the Delhi Charter School Board, in response to the receipt of a Notice of Delinquency requesting that he file his 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Strong that was required to file a 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement on or before May 15, 2017, since he was still serving as a member of the charter school board in 2016 and that failure to file may result in the assessment of late fees.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 18-508 by Glen Higgins, St. Landry Parish Constable, District 8, in response to the receipt of a Notice of Delinquency requesting that he file his 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Higgins that was required to file a 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement on or before May 15, 2017, since the financial disclosure previously filed is for another state agency and that failure to file may result in the assessment of late fees.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 18-509 by William White, a former Alderman for the Village of Athens in Claiborne Parish and former Mayor of the Village of Athens in Claiborne Parish, in response to the receipt of a Notice of Delinquency requesting that he file his

2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. White that he is required to file his 2016 and 2017 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statements, since he held office during 2017 and that failure to file may result in the assessment of late fees.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 18-510 by Andrew Vallien, a member of the Natchitoches Parish Industrial Development District, in response to the receipt of a Notice of Delinquency requesting that he complete his 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Vallien that he must complete his 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement and that failure to complete it may result in the assessment of late fees.

The Board considered the following general business agenda items:

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board approved the minutes of the May 17-18, 2018 meetings.

The Board considered a proposed consent opinion in Docket No. 17-124 regarding the failure by former Mayor Mitch Landrieu, City of New Orleans, to timely file a disclosure affidavit pursuant to Section 1123(41) of the Code of Governmental Ethics in connection with his attendance at the 2016 CityLab Conference in Miami, Florida from October 23, 2016 through October 25, 2016. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the adopted for publication the consent opinion in which Mitchell J. "Mitch" Landrieu, in his capacity as the Mayor of New Orleans, agrees that a violation of Section 1111A(1)(a) of the Code of Governmental Ethics occurred by virtue of his receipt of complimentary lodging and transportation to attend the 2016 CityLab Conference in Miami, Florida from October 23, 2016 through October 25, 2016 by his failure to timely file a La. R.S. 42:1123(41) disclosure statement disclosing his receipt of such complimentary lodging and

transportation; and, by filing the disclosure statement six (6) days late and in which Mr. Landrieu agrees to pay a fine of \$1,500 and that in the event of a failure to pay, the Board may file suit to compel immediate payment of any balance due.

The Board considered proposed Rules for the Louisiana Board of Ethics. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter to the July meeting.

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 No. 18-380, taking the following action:

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

Docket No. 18-474 from Jack P. Rizzuto of a \$480 late fee;
Docket No. 18-476 from Kathy Johnson of a \$840 late fee;
Docket No. 18-479 from Vanessa Waguespack Anseman of a \$200 late fee;
Docket No. 18-480 from Misty Clanton of a \$280 late fee;
Docket No. 18-483 from Daryl Terry of a \$1,560 late fee;
Docket No. 18-484 from Michael Kloesel of a \$200 late fee; and,
Docket No. 18-518 from Chance Lewis of a \$280 late fee.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-475 for a waiver of the \$420 late fee assessed against Dawn Collins, a candidate for East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, District 4, in the March 5, 2016 election, for filing her 2017 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report 7 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board rescinded the \$420 late fee based on

Rule 1205B.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-478 for a waiver of the \$280 late fee assessed against Marie Carter, a candidate for Chief of Police, Town of New Llano, Vernon Parish, in the March 24, 2018 election, for filing her 10-P campaign finance disclosure report 7 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$280 late fee but suspended \$180 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-481 for a waiver of the \$600 and \$2,000 late fees assessed against Jeff R. Thompson, a candidate for District Judge, 26th Judicial District Court, Division B, in the November 4, 2014 election, for filing his 2016 and 2017 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports 21 and 67 days late, respectively. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board (1) declined to waive the \$600 late fee in connection with the 2016 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report but suspended \$400 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing; and, (2) declined to waive the \$2,000 late fee in connection with the 2017 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report but suspended \$1,800 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-516 for a waiver of the \$2,000 late fee assessed against Brian Frazier, a candidate for District Attorney, 37th Judicial District Court, in the November 4, 2014 election, for filing his 2017 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report 67 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$2,000 late fee but suspended \$1,800 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-380 for a waiver of the two (2) \$400 late fees assessed against Tehmi Chassion, a candidate for Lafayette Parish School Board, District 4, in the October 2, 2010 and November 4, 2014 elections, for filing his 2016 and 2017 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports 10 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the two (2) \$400 late fees but suspended both late fees conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-472 for a waiver of the \$1,400 late fee assessed against Dr. Keith Leger for filing his 2018 lobbying registration 28 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the late fee, since it was Dr. Leger's first late filing.

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. 18-490, 18-495, 18-497 and 18-506, taking the following action:

The Board unanimously waived the late fees assessed against the following:

Docket No. 18-499 from Vincent LeBlanc, Jr. of a \$150 late fee; and,
Docket No. 18-505 from Robert Burton of a \$1,500 late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-271 for a waiver of the \$300 late fee assessed against Emma Gordon Jones, a former member of the Excellence Academy Charter School, for filing her 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 6 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$300 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Ms. Jones' first late filing and she is no longer a member of the Board.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-394 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Mary Ann Wiggins, a member of the John R. Kelly Grand Bayou Reservoir Commission, for filing her 2015 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 142 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$850 conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-395 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Fred Vernon Beebe, a member of the Workforce Development Board, for filing his

2015 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 119 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,050 conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-398 for a waiver of the \$300 late fee assessed against Alfred L. Groos, a member of the Ernest N. Morial New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority, for filing his amended 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 6 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$300 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Groos' first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-485 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Carlos J. Sam, a former member of the BREC Board of Directors (May 2010-December 2015) and the Teachers' Retirement System (November 2011 - July 2015), for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 122 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,050 conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-486 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Kenneth Louis "Gatorman" Schmill, St. Charles Parish Constable, District 2, for filing his amended 2015 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 163 days late. On

motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$2,500 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Schmill's first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-488 for a waiver of the \$500 late fee assessed against Clinton T. Smith Jr., a former member of the Edgar P. Harvey Spirit of Excellence Academy, for filing his 2015 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 10 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$500 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Smith's first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-489 for a waiver of the \$300 late fee assessed against Vickie Talley Stermer, a member of St. Tammany Parish Recreation District #6, for filing her 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 6 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$300 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Ms. Stermer's first late filing and she is no longer a member of the District.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-491 for a waiver of the \$1,100 late fee assessed against Derl R. Johnson, Morehouse Parish Constable, Ward 10, for filing his 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 22 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,100 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Johnson's first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-493 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Gina B. Womack, a member of the Public Defender Board, for filing her 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 59 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,250 conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-494 for a waiver of the \$50 late fee assessed against William J. Wilton Jr., a member of the State Museum Board, for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 1 day late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$50 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Wilton's first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-496 for a waiver of the two (2) \$1,500 late fees assessed against Clayton Weeks, a member of the Melrose Place Crime Prevention District, for filing his amended 2015 and 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statements 135 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the two (2) \$1,500 late fees but suspended both late fees conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Weeks' first late filings.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-498 for a waiver of the two (2) \$1,500 late fees assessed against Cynthia Langley, a member of the Tullos Board of Aldermen, LaSalle Parish, for filing her 2015 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 223 days late and her 2016

Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 155 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the two (2) \$1,500 late fees and instructed the staff to offer a payment plan.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-500 for a waiver of the \$250 late fee assessed against Bernard R. Lusch, a member of the St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District #3, for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 5 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$250 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Lusch's first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-501 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Patricia Palmer Moore, a member of the Seventh Planning District Consortium (Workforce Development), for filing her amended 2015 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 183 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Ms. Moore's first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-502 for a waiver of the \$300 late fee assessed against Mary Lee Oliphant, a former member of the Louisiana Animal Welfare Commission, for filing her 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 6 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$300 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Ms. Oliphant's first late filing and she is no

longer a member of the commission.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-503 for a waiver of the \$400 late fee assessed against Bobby E. Pierce, a member of the Lake Carmel Subdivision Improvement District, for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 8 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$400 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Pierce's first late filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-490 for a waiver of the \$400 late fee assessed against Maxie Faye Monroe, a member of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, Ward 5, for filing her 2016 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 8 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the \$400 late fee based upon her medical condition.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-495 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Claude Veatch, a member of the Grand Bayou Lake Commission, for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 111 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Veatch's first late filing and he is no longer a member of the commission.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-497 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Michael Glenn Landrum, a member of the South Burbank Crime Prevention and Development District, for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 304

days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter and instructed the staff to obtain additional information.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 18-506 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Carl Nelson Indest, a former member of the Benjamin Franklin Charter School-Orleans Parish, for filing his 2015 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 411 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$500 conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics and provided payment is made within 30 days. If the payment is not received in 30 days, the full amount becomes due and owing.

The Board considered a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 10-163 for a waiver of the \$1,250 late fee assessed against Wardell Bourgeois, a former member of the New Orleans Regional Business Park, for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 25 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,250 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the reporting requirements under the Code of Governmental Ethics, since it was Mr. Bourgeois' first late filing.

Ms. Allen presented an update with respect to legislative actions taken during the 2018 Regular Legislative Session which will affect the laws administered by the Board of Ethics, including the Code of Governmental Ethics, the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, and the Legislative, Executive and Local Lobbying Disclosure Acts.

Following discussion of the legislation, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board approved the proposed disclosure forms with respect to (1) Legislator's Disclosure In

Connection With A Public Speech; (2) Payment For Rendering Assistance Disclosure Statement; (3) Complimentary Admission, Lodging And/Or Transportation Disclosure Statement; and, (4) Charter School Banking Disclosure Statement.

The Board unanimously resolved into executive session to consider complaints and reports deemed confidential pursuant to Section 1141 of the Code of Governmental Ethics.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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The Board unanimously resolved into general business session and adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Secretary

APPROVED:

Chairman