

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
MINUTES
November 15, 2013

The Board of Ethics met on November 15, 2013 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 Backhaus, Blewer, Ingrassia, Larzelere, Leggio, Lemke, McAnelly, Monroe and Shelton present. Absent were Board Members Bruneau, and Stafford. Also present were the Ethics Administrator, Kathleen Allen; the Executive Secretary, Deborah Grier; and Counsel Tracy Barker, Aneatra Boykin, Mike Dupree, Jennifer Land and Suzanne Mooney.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 12-407 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Donald Cravins, Sr., a candidate for Mayor of the City of Opelousas in the October 22, 2011 election, for filing his 2010 Tier 2 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement 55 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board continued the matter to the December meeting.

Mr. Darrel Rivere, a member of the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board, appeared before the Board in connection with a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 12-418 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against him for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 90 days late. After hearing from Mr. Rivere, 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 12-1868 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Representative Wesley Bishop for filing his 2009 Tier 2 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement 97 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed,

the Board temporarily deferred the matter to later in the meeting.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 13-1089 for a waiver of the \$1,200, \$1,000 and \$1,200 late fees assessed against Pelican State Liberty PAC and Reilly O'Neal, its Chairman, for filing the three (3) Monthly campaign finance disclosure reports 6, 5 and 6 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board continued the matter to the December meeting.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1128 for a waiver of the \$2,000 late fee assessed against LA Restaurant Association Hospitality PAC in the April 6, 2013 election, for filing the 10-G campaign finance disclosure report 26 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board continued the matter to the December meeting.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1133 for a waiver of the \$2,000, \$2,000, \$2,000 and \$2,000 late fees assessed against Suddenlink Louisiana PAC for filing the 90-P, 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports 243, 181, 161 and 131 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board continued the matter to the December meeting.

Mr. Harold Coates, Chairman of LA Republican Party of Caddo Parish, appeared before the Board, in its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, in connection with a request in Docket No. 13-1135 for a waiver of the \$2,000 and \$1,000 late fees assessed against the committee for filing the two (2) Monthly campaign finance disclosure reports 25 and 5 days late. After hearing from Mr. Coates, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board reduced the \$2,000 late fee to \$1,000 and the \$1,000 late fee to \$500 and suspended the late

fees conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

Mr. Ronald E. Berry, a candidate for Morgan City Council, District 4 in the November 6, 2012 election, appeared before the Board, in its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, in connection with a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 13-1138 for a waiver of the \$400 and \$400 late fees assessed against him for filing the 10-G and EDE-P campaign finance disclosure reports 78 and 207 days late. After hearing from Mr. Berry, on motion made, seconded and passed by a vote of 7 yeas by Board Members Backhaus, Blewer, Ingrassia, Larzelere, Lemke, Monroe and Shelton and 2 nays by Board Members Leggio and McAnelly, the Board reduced the \$400 late fee to \$250 and the \$400 late fee to \$250 and suspended \$150 of each \$250 late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1280 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Verbon Muhammad, a member of the Monroe City School Board, for filing his 2011 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 284 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board temporarily deferred the matter to later in the meeting.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1298 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Michael Long, a member of the Shreveport City Council, for filing his 2010 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 657 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board temporarily deferred the matter to later in the meeting.

Mr. Peter Vujnovich, Jr., a member of the Oyster Task Force, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 13-1378 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against him for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 139 days late. After hearing from Mr. Vujnovich, on motion made, seconded and passed by a vote of 8 yeas by Board

Members Backhaus, Blewer, Ingrassia, Larzelere, Leggio, Lemke, McAnelly and Shelton and 1 nay by Board Member Monroe, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,000 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1280 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Verbon Muhammad, a member of the Monroe City School Board, for filing his 2011 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 284 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board continued the matter to the December meeting.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 12-1868 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Representative Wesley Bishop for filing his 2009 Tier 2 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement 97 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board continued the matter to the December meeting.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1298 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Michael Long, a member of the Shreveport City Council, for filing his 2010 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 657 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$2,500 late fee but suspended \$2,250 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the following general consent agenda items:

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take action on items G12-G20 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 G12-G20, excluding items G13, G14 and G17, taking the following

action:

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, adopted for publication, a consent opinion in Docket No. 11-1595 in which Troy Terrell agrees that a violation of Section 1505.1 and 1505.2H of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act occurred by his acceptance of in-kind contributions in excess of \$2,500 and failure to accurately disclose the receipt of the in-kind contributions on his 30-P (thirty days prior to the primary election) campaign finance disclosure report and in which Mr. Terrell agrees to pay a fine of \$2,000.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1413 concluding that (1) no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Eugene Rougeaux, a police officer employed by the City of Abbeville, becoming employed with the Office of the City Marshal following his retirement as a police officer with the City of Abbeville, since Mr. Rougeaux would be employed with the Office of the City Marshal, which is a governmental entity, and he would not be contracting with his former agency; and, (2) no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Ashton LeBlanc, a retired full-time employee of the City of Abbeville, being rehired by the City of Abbeville as a part-time employee in the same department performing the same duties he performed prior to his retirement, since Section 1121B would prohibit Mr. LeBlanc from contracting with the City of Abbeville to render any service he rendered as a public employee, however, it would not prohibit him from being hired as an employee of the City of Abbeville.

Absent specific information, declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1419 regarding whether an elected Councilman for St. John the Baptist Parish may be employed by the Port of South Louisiana.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1422 concluding that no violation of the Code

of Governmental Ethics is presented by James Strickland, the Washington Parish Registrar of Voters, also serving as a real estate agent, since the services that Mr. Strickland intends to provide as a real estate broker are not related to the services that he provides as Registrar of Voters.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1440 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by AARP Louisiana paying for Sara Guidry, a member of the New Orleans City Council, to attend and take part in a panel discussion during a conference held in Denver, Colorado, provided that Ms. Guidry submits an affidavit to the Board of Ethics within sixty (60) days of acceptance of the accommodations.

Declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1447 regarding whether a physician under contract with the St. Tammany Parish Coroner's Office may serve as the interim Coroner, since a decision was made not to name the physician that currently contracts with the Coroner's Office to serve as the interim Coroner and the issue is now moot.

Declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1172 regarding whether Press Street, a nonprofit corporation, may submit a grant application to the New Orleans City Council Utilities Regulatory Office when the immediate family members of Kristin Gisleson-Palmer, a member of the New Orleans City Council, serve as members of the Press Street Board of Directors, since the grant has been awarded. The Board further instructed the staff to advise as to the general provisions at issue and advise to request another opinion if the same issue arises in the future.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1352 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by a firefighter employed by the Springhill Fire Department to receive compensation from two neighboring fire districts for the same call, since the request does not present an issue under the Code of Governmental Ethics. The Board further advised that since

the firefighter would be occupying two public positions, the dual office holding laws may apply and that an opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General's Office should be sought regarding any dual office holding issues. Board Member Blewer recused herself.

Absent specific information, declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1421 regarding whether a business in which Donald Vizier, a member of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, his spouse or immediate family has an ownership interest in excess of 25% may perform compensated services to an entity that is a tenant of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take action on items G21-G27 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 G21-G27 taking the following action:

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 13-1381 on behalf of Rodney J. Doucet, a member of the Lafourche Parish Council, District 8, in lieu of filing his 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Doucet that he is not required to file his 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, since he did not serve on the Lafourche Parish Council in 2012.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 13-1386 on behalf of Christopher Roberts, a member of the Jefferson Parish Council, regarding a notice of delinquency received requesting that he file his 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Roberts that he is not entitled to an extension and must file his 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement within 7 business days of receiving the notice of delinquency.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 13-1387 on behalf of Rebecca Howell, a former member of the St. Tammany Parish Council, regarding a notice of delinquency received requesting that she file her 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Ms. Howell that she is required to file the 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement within 7 business days of receiving the notice of delinquency, since she served as a member of the council until January 9, 2012.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 13-1389 on behalf of John A. Neilson, a member of the DeSoto Parish School Board, District 6, in lieu of filing his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Neilson that he is not required to file his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, since he did not serve on the DeSoto Parish School Board in 2011.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 13-1392 on behalf of Robert Sternhell, a member of the New Orleans Science and Mathematics Charter School Board for Advocates, in lieu of filing his 2012 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Mr. Sternhell that is required to file his 2012 and 2013 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statements, since he served as a board member for 6 months in calender year 2012 and was required to file the 2012 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement by May 15, 2013. In addition as Mr. Sternhell served for 6 months in calender year 2013 so he will also be required to file a 2013 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement on May 15, 2014.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 13-1393 on behalf of Trilby T. Lenfant, a former member of the Mandeville City Council, in lieu of filing her 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Ms. Lenfant that she is required

to file the 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement within 7 business days of receiving the notice of delinquency, since she held office and attended a City Council meeting during the 2012 calendar year.

In connection with an Answer submitted in Docket No. 13-1435 on behalf of Davina Allen, a former member of the Morris Jeff Community Charter School, in response to a notice of delinquency requesting she file her 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, instructed the staff to advise Ms. Allen that she is required to file the 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement, since she served as a member of the Morris Jeff Community Charter School until June, 2011.

Accepted for filing, the disclosure statements filed in Docket No. 13-1444 for August, 2013.

Chairman Monroe vacated the Chair. Vice Chairman Blewer assumed the Chair.

The Board considered the following general business agenda items:

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board approved the minutes of the October 17-18, 2013 meetings.

The Board considered a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 12-526 of a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Michael Jackson, a former member of the Louisiana House of Representatives, for filing his 2010 Tier 2 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement 38 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board reaffirmed its previous decision and declined to waive the \$2,500 late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 12-1120 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Gerard Frey, a member of the Acadia Soil & Water Conservation District, for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 364 days late. On motion made,

seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee.

The Board considered a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 12-2085 of a waiver of the \$1,250 late fee assessed against Arthur Leonard, a candidate for the Amite Town Council, District 1 in the November 6, 2012 election, for filing his 2011 Tier 3 Candidate 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

Chairman Monroe resumed the Chair.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-409 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Alvin Jackson, a member of the Town of Richwood Board of Aldermen, for filing his 2009 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 134 days late and an untimely waiver request in connection with a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement 224 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee in connection with the 2009 Annual personal financial disclosure statement but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics and declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee in connection with the 2010 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement and instructed the staff to offer Mr. Jackson a payment plan.

The Board considered a request for reconsideration in Docket No. 13-829 of a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against James Vaughn, Jr., Tallulah Police Chief, for filing his 2010 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 243 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board reaffirmed its previous decision and declined to waive the \$2,500

late fee.

The Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 13-886 for a waiver of the \$1,600 late fee, the \$1,600 late fee and the \$800 late fee assessed against Claude "Jay" Guidry, a member of the St. Landry Parish Council, for filing his 2009 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 16 days late, his 2010 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 16 days late and his 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 8 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the two \$1,600 late fees in connection with the 2009 and 2010 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statements but suspended the entire late fees totaling \$3,200 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics and declined to waive the \$800 late fee in connection with the 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement.

The Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 13-1097 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee, the \$1,500 late fee, the \$1,500 late fee and the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Errol Domingues, a member of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, for filing his 2009 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 491 days late, his 2010 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 491 days late, his 2010 Tier 3 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement 491 days late and his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 230 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fees totaling \$6,000.

The Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 13-1111 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee and the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Elizabeth Cooper, a member of the Waterproof Board of Aldermen, for filing her 2009 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 315

days late and for filing her 2010 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 315 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fees totaling \$3,000 and instructed the staff to offer Ms. Cooper a payment plan.

The Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 13-1118 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Tracey Flemings Davillier, a former member of the Upper Pontalba Building Restoration Corporation, for filing her 2009 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 504 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 13-1297 for a waiver of the \$300 late fee assessed against James "Jimmy" Cryer, a member of the Rosepine Board of Aldermen, for filing his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 6 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the \$300 late fee based on financial hardship and since Mr. Cryer had no other late filings.

The Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 13-1305 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Robert Morton, a member of the Louisiana State Mineral Board, for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 361 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee.

The Board considered a request for an advisory opinion in Docket No. 13-1415 regarding whether police officers for the LSUPD may accept gifts as Police Officers of the Year. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board concluded that (1) Section 1111A of the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit the proposed gift of a gift certificate to a restaurant from the

LSUPD Chief of Police and the LSUPD Union President; and, (2) the proposed gift of tickets to a non-SEC game to be given by the LSU Athletics department appears to be a benefit that is being given by the governmental entity and of which the police officers are duly entitled to. The Board further advised that the proposed day off is not a matter that is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Ethics and since this proposed gift involves the appropriate use of government funds, this question should be addressed by the Attorney General's office.

The Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 71-004 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Shawna Cockerham, a candidate for the Tullos Board of Aldermen in the October 2, 2010 election, for filing her 2009 Tier 3 Candidate personal financial disclosure statement 553 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the \$1,500 late fee conditioned upon receipt of court costs to cover the filing and dismissal of the collection lawsuit.

The Board recessed at 10:44 a.m. and resumed back into general business session at 10:58 a.m.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request for a “good cause” waiver of late fees assessed against the following candidate and adopted the staff recommendation on the request:

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-723 for a waiver of the \$880, \$500 and \$80 late fees assessed against Thomas S. Harvey, a candidate for Bossier City Council, District 5 in the April 6, 2013 election, for filing his 10-P , Special and EDE-P campaign finance disclosure reports 22, 23 and 2 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late

fees totaling \$1,460.

The Board unanimously agreed to take action on the items 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. 13-822, 13-967, 13-976, 13-978, 13-1191, 13-1276, 13-1277, 13-1294, 13-1295 and 13-1302, taking the following action:

The Board considered requests for “good cause” waivers of late fees assessed against the following individuals and adopted the staff recommendations on the requests:

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

Docket No. 13-1285 from Terri Brock of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1289 from James West of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1296 from Elton Jordan of a \$2,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1299 from Victor Blanchard of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1303 from Mary Lee of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1370 from Keith Johnson of two \$1,500 late fees; and,
Docket No. 13-1372 from Irvin Hingle of a \$2,200 late fee.

The Board unanimously declined to waive the late fees assessed against the following but instructed the staff to offer payment plans:

Docket No. 13-1102 from Dorothy Spence of two \$1,500 late fees; and,
Docket No. 13-1279 from Levell Thurman of a \$1,500 late fee.

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

Docket No. 13-1102 from Dorothy Spencer of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1154 from Robert Leake of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1274 from Leroy Cook of a \$1,500 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1278 from Delos Thompson, Sr. of a \$400 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1282 from Tabitha Singleton of a \$1,250 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1284 from Cheryl Millet of a \$400 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1293 from Gayle Falcon of a \$350 late fee;
Docket No. 13-1362 from James Scarborough of a \$2,500 late fee; and,

Docket No. 13-1432 from Bonita Crawford of two \$600 late fees.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1194 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Walter Guillory, a member of the Louisiana Housing Finance Authority, for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 379 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,000 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1201 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Marlin Gusman, Orleans Parish Sheriff, for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 183 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1260 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Mack Hurst, a member of the Louisiana Workforce Investment Board #20, for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 384 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1281 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Sidney Cox, a former member of the Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Commission, for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 380 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1287 for a waiver of the \$50 late fee assessed against Kerry Easley, a member of the Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Commission, for filing his 2011 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1290 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against David Courtney, a member of the Capital District Law Enforcement Planning Council, for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 405 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,000 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1301 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Linda Hickman, a member of the Beauregard Parish Tourist Commission, for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 392 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 Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1395 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Anthony Ray Boswell, a member of the New Llano Town Council, for filing his amended 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 217 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 Code of Governmental

Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-822 for a waiver of the \$1,000 late fee assessed against John Landrum, member of the KIPP New Orleans Charter School Board, for filing his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 20 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter to the December meeting.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-967 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Jeffery Scanlan, a member of the White Lake Property Advisory Board, for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 116 days late. On motion made, seconded and passed by a vote of 7 yeas by Board Members Backhaus, Blewer, Ingrassia, Larzelere, Leggio, McAnelly and Monroe and 2 nays by Board Members Lemke and Shelton, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-976 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee, the \$1,500 late fee and the \$700 late fee assessed against John Lewis, Sr., a member of the Grand Coteau Board of Aldermen, for filing his 2009 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 267 days late, his 2010 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 271 days late and his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 14 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board waived the \$1,500 late fee with respect to the 2009 report, declined to waive the \$1,500 and \$700 late fees with respect to the 2010 and 2011 reports and instructed the staff to offer Mr. Lewis a payment plan.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-978 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Renston Deshotel, Sr., the Evangeline Parish Constable, for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 488 days late. On motion made, seconded and

unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$2,500 late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1191 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Floyd Terrell, the Sabine Parish Constable, for filing his 2010 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 287 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter to the December meeting.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1276 for a waiver of the \$1,350 late fee assessed against Clifford Doyle, a member of the Glenmora Board of Aldermen, for filing his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 27 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,350 late fee and instructed the staff to offer Mr. Doyle a payment plan.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1277 for a waiver of the \$900 late fee assessed against Dr. Ron Taravella, a member of the Mental Health Advocacy Service Board, for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 18 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$900 late fee.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1294 for a waiver of the \$1,450 late fee assessed against Dennis Michael McCullough, a member of the Caddo Parish Fire District #6, for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 29 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,450 late fee but suspended \$1,200 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 13-1295 for a waiver of the \$1,150 late fee assessed against Dale Lee Adams, a member of the Plaquemines Parish Medical Board, for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 23 days late. On motion made,

seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,150 late fee but suspended \$900 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board unanimously agreed to consider the following supplemental agenda items:

The Board took no action in Docket No. 11-854 with respect to litigation involving Sarah Albritton entering into transactions with the Morehouse General Hospital.

The Board instructed the staff to file a Writ Application in connection with a decision in Docket No. 11-1250 from the First Circuit Court of Appeal dismissing the charges against Stephen Braud.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board dismissed charges in Docket No. 12-481 filed against Milioto Construction and Beverly Milioto.

The Board discussed the creation of a subcommittee of the Ethics Board to study the forms created by the Board to facilitate the filing of disclosure forms. Chairman Monroe appointed Board Member Bruneau to serve as Chairman of the Forms Committee and Board Members Larzelere and McAnelly to serve as the other members of the Committee.

Ms. Allen announced that the Joint Governmental Affairs Committee, the Board's oversight committees, will meet on Wednesday, December 4, 2013. Ms. Allen advised that she will notify the Board members when a formal notice of the meeting has been issued.

The Board unanimously adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Secretary

APPROVED:

Chairman

