



## Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building  
First Floor - LaBelle Room

JULY 7, 2022

2:30 PM

617 North 3rd Street  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

**Note: Meetings begin on July 7, 2022 and continue to July 8, 2022.**

### Executive Session

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

Discussion in Executive Session concerning charges issued against Klay Becnel in Docket No. 2019-862.

Discussion in Executive Session of charges issued against Jeffery Lirette in Docket No. 2020-140.

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### GENERAL

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#### Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

- G1.** Docket No. 22-206  
Request for an advisory opinion concerning the City Attorney for City of Bossier City entering into a contract with the father of the City's Chief Administrative Officer.
- G2.** Docket No. 22-237

Advisory opinion request from Deon Boudreaux, Police Chief of Port Barre, regarding whether he may work for a bail bonds agency while employed as Police Chief.

- G3.** Docket No. 22-249  
Request to withdraw an advisory opinion regarding AECOM Technical Services Inc., submitting a response to an upcoming Request for Proposal issued by the Office of Community Development.
- G4.** Docket No. 22-286  
Advisory opinion request from Sheila Campbell, the Director of the Department of Education, Division of Licensing, regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit a vendor from becoming an employee.
- G5.** Docket No. 22-323  
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted on behalf of Desire Line LLC, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit Desire Line LLC from entering into a contract with the Pontchartrain Levee District to provide grant management services.
- G6.** Docket No. 22-326  
Advisory opinion request regarding any prohibitions that may arise if Andrew L. Halbrook (Andy) is elected to Ruston City Council while his son serves as the City of Ruston Public Works Utilities Manager. (Pop = 21,849)
- G7.** Docket No. 22-338  
Advisory Opinion Request from Kia Price, seeking guidance on several issues stemming from employment with Louisiana Department of Health.
- G8.** Docket No. 22-354  
Advisory Opinion request from Toni Celestine, Director of Career and Testing Services at South Louisiana Community Colleges, regarding outside services provided to high school students and parents.
- G9.** Docket No. 22-355  
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted by Hunter Brown, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit him providing analysis and custom dashboard development services while remaining employed as the Executive Director of Operational Quality at the Louisiana Department of Education ("LDOE").
- G10.** Docket No. 22-378  
Advisory Opinion request regarding whether Kara St. Cyr may accept compensation from 64 Parishes, a Louisiana magazine, for writing an article while employed with Louisiana Public Broadcasting (LPB).
- G11.** Docket No. 22-379  
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted by Monique M. Crochet, M.Ed., regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit her from running for and being elected to a seat on the City of Thibodaux Council (Pop. 14,566) while remaining the Executive Director of External Affairs at Nicholls State University ("NSU").
- G12.** Docket No. 22-380  
Advisory Opinion request from Carranza Pryor, Executive Counsel for LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport, regarding potential post-employment restrictions for Dr. Christi Rinaudo, Director of Academic Affairs.
- G13.** Docket No. 22-394

Request for Advisory Opinion from Madison Parish School Board regarding hiring a Principal at Madison Middle School whose wife is employed at the school as a counselor.

**G14.** Docket No. 22-411

Advisory opinion request concerning any potential conflicts of interest given the fact that two brothers, Tony Hardy and Mike Hardy, were elected to positions with the City of Abbeville.

### **Disclosure Reports**

**G15.** Docket No. 21-1053

PFD Answer filed by Ronald Gonsoulin, member of the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane and Conservation District, in response to a NOD received requesting he file a 2020 Tier 2.1 PFD.

**G16.** Docket No. 22-376

Staff memo regarding the filing of a R.S. 42:1115.2 Disclosure Statement filed by State Senator Glen Womack.

**G17.** Docket No. 22-381

PFD Answer submitted by Sue Durand, former member of the St. Landry Parish Economic Development Corporation, in response to a NOD received requesting she file her 2020 Tier 2.1 PFD.

### **Regular Business**

**G18.** Docket No. 20-883

Consent Opinion relative to the employment of Joseph Daniels within a department of the Franklin City Utilities Department while his brother, Bernard Daniels, served as the Director of Utilities, and when Eugene Foulcard, Mayor of the City of Franklin, knew they were related when Joseph Daniels was hired.

**G19.** Docket No. 21-173

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(b) for Matthew Sias, Jr., candidate for Lafayette City Council, District 1, Lafayette Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, for his failure to file a 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports.

**G20.** Docket No. 21-346

Consent opinion regarding Dr. James Gilmore, a member of the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District Board of Directors, being appointed as the Interim Executive Director.

**G21.** Docket No. 21-348

Consent Opinion regarding a variance application submitted to the City of Hammond by Tracy Washington Wells while her husband, Devon Wells, served as an elected member of the Hammond City Council.

**G22.** Docket No. 21-1013

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(b) for Tyjuana Smith, candidate for East Baton Rouge Parish Metro Council, District 7, in the November 3, 2020 election, for her failure to file a 10-G campaign finance disclosure report.

**G23.** Docket No. 21-1015

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(a) and (b) for Jeremy A. Chesteen, candidate for St. Mary

Parish Councilmember At-Large, District 10, in the October 12, 2019 election, for his failure to file 10-P, 10-G and 40-G campaign finance disclosure reports.

**G24. Docket No. 22-012**

Advisory Opinion request from Jeffery J. Thomas, with Equity Media, as to the rehiring of New Orleans City Council member Oliver Thomas as a WBOK radio talk show host.

**G25. Docket No. 22-114**

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(b) for Kevin Bates, candidate for State Representative, 20th District, in the October 12, 2019 election, for his failure to file a SUPP2020 campaign finance disclosure report.

**G26. Docket No. 22-199**

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(a) for Scotty Waggoner, candidate for Public Service Commission, District 5, in the November 3, 2020 election, for his failure to file a 90-P campaign finance disclosure report.

**G27. Docket No. 22-217**

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(a) for Bart E. Liles, candidate for Coroner, Grant Parish, in the November 3, 2020 election, for his failure to file a 30-P campaign finance disclosure report.

**G28. Docket No. 22-433**

Emergency advisory opinion concerning Scott Saunier being appointed to a vacant position on the Iberia Parish Council.

**G29. Docket No. LEGISLA**

Consideration of legislation enacted during the 2022 Regular Legislative Session.

**G30. Docket No. Report**

Administrator's Report

**G31. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**

Docket No. 22-302

Request that the Board waive the \$660 campaign finance late fee assessed against Mack Cormier, an unsuccessful candidate for State Senator, 7th Dist in the June 12, 2021 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

Docket No. 22-306

Request that the Board waive a \$900 campaign finance late fee assessed against Steven Jackson, unsuccessful candidate for Mayor, City of Shreveport (Pop. 199,311), Caddo Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 2020 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 15 days late.

Docket No. 22-385

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Bernie Woods, Sr., an unsuccessful candidate for Councilman / District G / City of Shreveport (Pop. 199,311) / Caddo Parish, in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 2015 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 19 days late.

Docket No. 22-395

Request that the Board waive the \$3,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against LA Federation of Teachers PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Larry Carter, Jr., and treasurer, Teri Johnson, in the November 13, 2021 election, whose Special (48 Hour) campaign finance disclosure report was filed 15 days late.

Docket No. 22-396

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kevin White, a successful candidate for Police Juror, District 1, Calcasieu Parish, in the October 24, 2015 election, whose 2019 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 357 days late.

Docket No. 22-397

Request that the Board waive a \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Frank Perez, an unsuccessful candidate for Council Member, District C, Orleans Parish, in the November 13, 2021 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 22-398

Request that the Board waive the \$3,000 and \$1,400 campaign finance late fees (for a total of \$4,400) assessed against Ward 3 PAC, a political action committee, and its committee's chairperson, Michael Fruge, in the November 13, 2021 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 54 and 7 days late, respectively.

**G32. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

Docket No. 21-683

Waiver request submitted by Sam DiVittorio, Hammond City Council (Pop. 20,019)/ District 4 / Tangipahoa Parish, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 587 days late.

Docket No. 22-360

Waiver request submitted by Noli C. Guinigundo, Coroner / West Carroll Parish, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2019 Tier 2 annual pfd 387 days late.

Docket No. 22-361

Waiver request submitted by Melvin Raymond Landry, III, University Preparatory Elementary School Charter School Board, regarding a \$125 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2019 Tier 3 annual pfd 5 days late.

Docket No. 22-362

Waiver request submitted by Donald Ray Dejean, member of both the J.S. Clark Leadership Academy Charter School Board and the St. Landry Parish Economic Industrial Development District, regarding a \$300 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2019 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 6 days late.

Docket No. 22-363

Waiver request submitted by Sherry Shelvin Guidry, former member of the New Iberia City Council (Pop. 30,617) / District 5 / Iberia Parish, regarding a \$175 late fee assessed for filing her 2020 Tier 3 annual pfd 7 days late.

Docket No. 22-364

Waiver request submitted by Richard A. Webre, Ascension St. James Parish Airport Authority, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2019 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 257 days late.

Docket No. 22-365

Waiver request submitted by Columbus James Boston, former member of the Lucky Board of Aldermen (Pop. 272) / Bienville Parish, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing his 2019 Tier 3 annual pfd 185 days late.

Docket No. 22-367

Waiver request submitted by Wanda Fay McCoy, Mayor of Roseland (Pop. 1,123) / Tangipahoa Parish, regarding a \$375 late fee assessed for filing her 2020 Tier 3 annual pfd 15 days late.

Docket No. 22-368

Waiver request submitted by Angelita Burnzetta Jackson, former member of the Health Care Trust Fund Board, regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing her 2019 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 2 days late.

Docket No. 22-369

Waiver request submitted by Wince Highshaw, Jr., the former Marshal / City Court / Monroe City (Pop. 48,815) / Ouachita Parish, regarding a \$900 late fee assessed for filing his 2020 Tier 2 annual pfd 9 days late.

Docket No. 22-370

Waiver request submitted by Trent Temples, candidate for City Prosecutor of Bogalusa (Pop. 12,232) / Washington Parish, in the November 13, 2021 election, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for failing to file his 2020 Tier 2 candidate pfd.

Docket No. 22-372

Waiver request submitted by Gregory "Killer" Galloway, Constable / Ward 2 / St. Tammany Parish, regarding a \$400 late fee assessed for filing his 2020 Tier 2 annual pfd 4 days late.

Docket No. 22-373

Waiver request submitted by Morgan Debonea Carter, Tensas Parish School Board / District 2, regarding a \$175 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2019 Tier 3 annual pfd 7 days late and a \$175 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2020 Tier 3 annual pfd 7 days late.

**G33. WAIVER REQUESTS - UNTIMELY**

Docket No. 22-387

Untimely request that the Board waive a \$1,560 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kevin Guidry, an unsuccessful candidate for State Representative, 34th Representative District in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 2020 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 26 days late.

**G34. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS**

Docket No. 21-090

Request for the Board to reconsider its decision to decline to waive a \$2,500 late fee assessed against Grayson Linn "Lindy" Bolgiano, Jr., Youngsville City Council Member (Pop. 8,105) / Division B / Lafayette Parish, for filing his 2018 Tier 2 annual pfd 394 days late.

Docket No. 21-1034

Request that the Board reconsider its decision to decline to waive the \$600 and \$420 campaign finance late fees assessed against Leroy Daniels, an unsuccessful candidate for City Marshal, City Court, City of Bunkie (Pop. 4,171), in the November 3, 2020 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 28 and 7 days late, respectively.