



Louisiana Board of Ethics

**LaSalle Building
First Floor - LaBelle Room
SEPTEMBER 4, 2025
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Note: Meetings begin on September 4, 2025 and continue to September 5, 2025.

Executive Session

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

Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges against Damion Coleman in Docket No. 2019-1149

Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Keith Schroth in Docket No. 2021-889.

Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Dr. Larry Hollier in Docket No. 2022-026.

Discussion in Executive Session involving charges filed against Dr. John King in Docket No. 2023-491.

Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges pending against Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions and Mark Hartman in Docket No. 2024-113.

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GENERAL

Appearances

- G1. Docket No. 24-034**
Request that the Board reconsider its decision to reduce to \$500 and decline to waive the \$800.00 campaign finance late fees (\$1400 total) assessed against Scott Washington, an unsuccessful candidate for Police Juror, District 8, Calcasieu Parish in the October 14, 2023 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 14 and 20 days late, respectively.
- G2. Docket No. 24-316**
Untimely request that the Board reconsider its decision to decline to waive the \$2,000.00 campaign finance late fee assessed against Raoul Armando "Skip" Galan, a disqualified candidate for State Senator, 10th Senatorial District, Jefferson Parish, in the October 14, 2023 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 113 days late.
- G3. Docket No. 24-820**
Waiver request submitted by Adren O. Wilson, former Deputy Chief of Staff in the Office of the Governor, regarding a \$12,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2022 Tier 1 annual pfd 37 days late.
- G4. Docket No. 25-025**
Request that the Board reconsider its decision to decline to waive the four (4) \$3,000.00 for a total of \$12,000.00 campaign finance late fees assessed against The Voice of the People, LLC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Sidney D. Torres, IV, and treasurer, Lisa Schehr, whose 2020ANN and 2022ANN, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed inaccurately.
- G5. Docket No. 25-097**
Request that the Board waive the four(4) \$3,000.00 for a total of \$12,000.00 campaign finance late fees assessed against Lafayette Republican Parish Executive Committee, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Tim M. Breaux, and treasurer, Charles Buckels, in the October 14, 2023 election whose, 30-P and 10-P have not been filed and 10-G and 40-G campaign finance disclosure reports were inaccurately filed.
- G6. Docket No. 25-250**
Waiver request submitted by Shawn P. Gibbs, Pilotage Fee Commission, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2021 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 48 days late; and, a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2022 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 48 days late.
- G7. Docket No. 25-373**
Waiver request submitted by Jason Gerald Ard, Sheriff / Livingston Parish, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2022 Tier 2 annual pfd 512 days late.
- G8. Docket No. 25-418**
Request that the Board waive three late fees assessed against Desiree Odell Collins, a successful candidate for Council Member, District 3, City of Baker, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the March 23, 2024 election: 1) a \$1,000 late fee for a 30-P report which was filed inaccurately; 2) a \$1,000 fee for a 10-G report which was filed inaccurately; and 3) a \$500 late fee for a 2024 supplemental report which has not been filed.

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

- G9.** Docket No. 25-296
Advisory opinion request from Michele Steib, an employee of the Port of New Orleans, regarding her outside employment and post-employment restrictions.
- G10.** Docket No. 25-398
Withdrawal of an advisory opinion request from the Cameron Parish Coroner regarding the Coroner's Office entering into transactions with a contracted staff member's business.
- G11.** Docket No. 25-413
Advisory opinion request as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") prohibits Pointe Coupee Parish School Board employee Tabitha Ransom's son from being employed in the 21st Century Community Learning Center.
- G12.** Docket No. 25-429
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Lincoln Parish Assessor can hire his daughter-in-law's sister to work in the Assessor's Office.
- G13.** Docket No. 25-430
Advisory Opinion request from Hamid Belfassi, employee of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development ("DOTD"), regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit him from contracting with state agencies.
- G14.** Docket No. 25-438
Withdrawal of an advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics prohibits Marian Mergist, former DEQ Private Secretary to the Secretary of DEQ, from being reclassified from unclassified to DEQ Administrative Assistant 6.
- G15.** Docket No. 25-449
Advisory opinion request as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") prohibits Misty Wallace Saunders from selling snowballs to the public at Northwood High School while her mother serves as a bookkeeper for Northwood High School.

Regular Business

- G16.** Docket No. MINUTES
August 2025 Board Minutes
- G17.** Docket No. 3125-01
Administrator's Notes
- G18.** **WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**
- Docket No. 25-415
Request that the Board waive the \$500.00 campaign finance late fee assessed against Terecita Pollard-Pattan, a successful candidate for Mayor, City of Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 5, 2024 election, whose 2024 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report has not been filed.
- Docket No. 25-416
Request that the Board waive a \$400.00 campaign finance late fee assessed against Adaline Villneurve Rutherford, a successful candidate for Member of School Board, District 3, St. Tammany Parish, in the November 8, 2022 election, whose 2024 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 15 days late.

Docket No. 25-417

Request that the Board waive the \$180.00 campaign finance late fee assessed against Brian L. Glorioso, a successful candidate for State Representative, 90th Representative District in the October 14, 2023 election, whose 2023 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 3 days late.



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GS1. Docket No. 25-464

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") prohibits an employee of the Costal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) from accepting a door prize.

Regular Business

GS2. Docket No. 22-455

Consent Opinion regarding Jeff Landry, in his capacity as Attorney General, in Docket Nos. 2022-455 and 2023-644.

GS3. Docket No. 24-469

Advisory opinion request on behalf of Governor Jeffrey M. Landry, relating to the use of Form 413 and compliance with Section 1115.2 of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics.

GS4. Docket No. 25-403

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(a) and (b) for Brian J. Bennett, candidate for Councilman at Large, City of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, in the November 8, 2022 election, for his failure to file 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports.

GS5. Docket No. 25-404

Consideration of the assessment of the enhanced penalty pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(4)(a) and (b) for Keitron Gagnon, candidate for Governor, in the October 14, 2023 election, for his failure to file 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports.

GS6. Docket No. 3125-11

Approval of Campaign Finance Disclosure Forms and Personal Financial Disclosure Forms.