



Louisiana Board of Ethics

**LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room**

JULY 14, 2011

1:00 PM

**617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Note: Meetings begin on July 14, 2011 and continue to July 15, 2011.

Executive Session

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

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9:00 AM

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GENERAL

Appearances

G1. Docket No. 10-1180

Reconsideration of a waiver request of Ruth Blanchard to waive the \$1,500 assessed late fee for filing her 2008 Tier 2.1 annual personal financial disclosure statement 40 days late.

G2. Docket No. 11-477

Appearance in connection with a reconsideration of a request that the Board

waive the \$600 late fee assessed against Ruben LeBlanc, a candidate for Senate, 22nd Senatorial District, in the January 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

G3. Docket No. 11-480

Appearance in connection with request that the Board waive the \$700 and \$300 campaign finance late fees assessed against Caroline Fayard, a candidate for Lt. Governor, in the October 2, 2010 election, whose two (2) Special campaign finance disclosure reports were due by October 26, 2010 and October 30, 2010 and were 7 and 3 days late.

G4. Docket No. 11-523

Reconsideration of an advisory opinion regarding post employment restrictions of Sheryl Ranatza, Deputy Secretary for the Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Corrections Services Department.

G5. Docket No. 11-797

Appearance in connection with a reconsideration of a request that the Board waive the \$600 late fee assessed against Ruben LeBlanc, a candidate for Senate, 22nd Senatorial District, in the January 22, 2011 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 37 days late.

**Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions
&
Items Requiring No Board Action**

G6. Docket No. 09-964

Consent opinion regarding William Hubbard, the former President of St. John the Baptist Parish, violating the Ethics Code.

G7. Docket No. 10-331

Consent opinion regarding Rural Broadcasting Services paying West Feliciana Parish President, Kenneth Dawson, for consulting services at a time when RBS provided broadcasting services to West Feliciana Parish.

G8. Docket No. 10-399

Consent opinion regarding the New Orleans Public Library Foundation paying the CAO of the New Orleans Public Library, Rica Trigs, for services provided to the Foundation at a time when the Foundation had a business relationship with the Library.

G9. Docket No. 11-432

Advisory opinion regarding two companies, which are owned by two Plaquemines Parish Councilman, respectively, entering into an agreement with each other.

G10. Docket No. 11-635

Request for an advisory opinion as to the propriety of Judy Tillman, the Mayor of the Village of Heflin, being employed with the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections.

G11. Docket No. 11-728

Request for an advisory opinion as to the propriety of the employer of Layton Ricks, a candidate for Livingston Parish President in the October 22, 2011 election, continuing to do work for Livingston Parish if Mr. Ricks is

elected.

- G12.** Docket No. 11-735
Request for an advisory opinion as to the propriety of Lafourche Parish Coroner's Office employing Melody Goldman, the wife of Mark Goldman, the Administrator and Chief Investigator for the Coroner's Office.
- G13.** Docket No. 11-904
Request for advisory regarding whether the members of the Board of Commissioners for the Parks and Recreation District #3 may access the North Park Fitness and Aquatics Center at a discounted rate.
- G14.** Docket No. 11-908
Advisory opinion request regarding whether James Sarver, a Reserve Deputy with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Department and Gerald Johnson, a Deputy with the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department, may open a business which sells police supplies to officers and agencies in the surrounding areas
- G15.** Docket No. 11-909
Advisory opinion regarding whether the Geologist Supervisor in the Enforcement Section of the Injection and Mining Division of the Office of Conservation, George Brewton, may provide consulting services to clients who submit well permit applications to the Injection and Mining Division after his retirement.
- G16.** Docket No. 11-912
Request for an advisory opinion regarding whether the Village of Tickfaw can pay for the mayor's spouse or other persons to attend conventions, and whether there is a certain per diem requirement that the town can use to implement a per diem policy.
- G17.** Docket No. 11-927
Advisory opinion regarding whether the Lafayette Workforce Investment Board (LWIB #41) will be required to file annual personal financial disclosure statements beginning in 2012 since Lafayette Parish's population will exceed 200,000.
- G18.** Docket No. 11-929
Request for an advisory opinion regarding the review and certification of Spill, Prevention, Control and Countermeasures Plans.
- G19.** Docket No. 11-932
Advisory opinion regarding whether WFN Consulting may serve as a subcontractor to provide administrative consulting services to Louisiana Division of Administration Office of Community Development/Disaster Recovery Unit (OCD/DRU).
- G20.** Docket No. 11-967
Request for an advisory opinion regarding whether the son of Independence Fire Chief, Dennis Crocker, may be employed as a fireman.
- G21.** Docket No. 11-970
Request for clarification of advisory opinions rendered in Board Docket Nos. 2011-445 and 2010-165 regarding appointments to Housing Authorities.
- G22.** Docket No. 11-976

Request for an advisory opinion as to whether Arcadiane Renovations, LTD (ARL) may contract with the St. Mary Parish Levee District.

G23. Docket No. 11-977

Advisory opinion regarding whether full-time employees of the Baton Rouge Area Alcohol and Drug Center (BRAADC) may also be employed part-time by the 19th Judicial District Adult Drug Court and whether full-time employees of the Drug Court may be employed part-time at BRAADC.

G24. Docket No. 11-978

Request for an advisory opinion as to the propriety of a person serving as Mayor of the Town of Independence when his wife is the Director of the Housing Authority for the Town of Independence.

G25. Docket No. 11-982

Advisory opinion regarding whether an employee of the Bossier Parish EMS Ambulance District may serve as a member of the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

G26. Docket No. 11-985

Advisory opinion requested from Michelle Ferrant seeking an ethics clearance in order to provide services to clients of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS).

G27. Docket No. 11-1029

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Chairman of the Ascension Parish Planning and Zoning Commission, Michael Marchand, may participate in the family partition of land owned by his mother and two uncles.

Regular Business

G28. Docket No. MINUTES

June 2011 Board Minutes

G29. Docket No. 11-231

Advisory opinion regarding Sheila Jones-Jordan, an employee of the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, Health Standards Section, performing clinicals in hospitals regulated by the Health Standards Section.

G30. Docket No. 11-682

Reconsideration of a request that the Board waive the \$1,000 late fee assessed against Mary Chehardy, a candidate for Jefferson Parish Assessor, in the April 2, 2011 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

G31. Docket No. 11-1087

Consideration of the proposed Ethics Training Rules.

G32. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. CHART

Campaign Finance Waiver Request Chart for July 2011

Docket No. 11-935

Request that the Board waive the \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Troy Brown, a candidate for Representative, 58th District in the

October 20, 2007 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 11-936

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Denise Holden, a candidate for Orleans Parish Council, in the February 6, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 35 days late.

Docket No. 11-937

Request that the Board waive the \$900 campaign finance late fee assessed against R.A. "Skip" Galan, a candidate for Jefferson Parish Assessor, in the April 2, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 11-938

Request that the Board waive the \$2,200 and \$1,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against LA Democrats, a political action committee who supported candidates in the October 2, 2010 election, whose (2) Special campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 11 and 5 days late.

Docket No. 11-939

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Emile Metoyer, a candidate for Natchitoches Parish School Board in the October 2, 2010 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 156 days late.

Docket No. 11-940

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Chuncey Fontenot, a candidate for Chief of Police for the City of Ville Platte in the October 2, 2010 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 154 days late.

Docket No. 11-941

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ronnelle "Bruce" Broussard, a candidate for Chief of Police for the Town of Washington in the October 2, 2010 election, whose EDE-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 118 days late.

Docket No. 11-942

Request that the Board waive the \$320 campaign finance late fee assessed against Richard J. "Rick" Smith, a candidate for St. Tammany Parish Council in the April 2, 2011 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 11-943

Request that the Board waive the \$700 and \$300 late fees assessed against Timothy "Tim" Baudier, a candidate for Jefferson Parish Councilman-at-Large, Div. A, in the April 2, 2011 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 7 and 3 days late.

Docket No. 11-944

Request that the Board waive the \$1,400 late fee assessed against LA Maritime Council, a political action committee, whose 180-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 11-945

Request that the Board waive the \$720 late fee assessed against Carl W. Richard, a candidate for Bossier City Marshal in the April 2, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was due April 20, 2011 and was filed 12 days late.

Docket No. 11-946

Request that the Board waive the \$180 late fee assessed against Michael "Mike Pete" Huval, a candidate for Representative, District 46, in the April 2, 2011 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was due March 21, 2011 and was filed 3 days late.

Docket No. 11-947

Request that the Board waive the \$1,600 late fee assessed against LA Associated General Contractors, Inc., a political action committee, whose 180-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 11-948

Request that the Board waive the \$800 late fee assessed against Steve Prator, a candidate for Sheriff of Caddo Parish, in the October 22, 2011 election whose 180-P campaign finance report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 11-949

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 late fee assessed against Joseph A. "Joe" Pitre, a candidate for Mayor of the Town of Washington in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance report was filed 41 days late.

Docket No. 11-951

Request that the Board waive the \$500 late fee assessed against Arthur K. Lewis, a candidate for Chief of Police for the Town of Vidalia in the April 2, 2011 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 18 days late.

Docket No. 11-952

Request that the Board waive the \$600 and \$600 late fees assessed against Danyelle Taylor, a candidate for District Judge, 24th Judicial District Court in the September 30, 2006 election and a candidate for State Representative, District 83 in the October 20, 2007 election, whose two (2) Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 38 days late.

Docket No. 11-953

Request that the Board waive the \$1,600 late fee assessed against Mid Continent, a political action committee, whose 180-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 11-954

Request that the Board waive the \$1,400 late fee assessed against Concerned Citizens of Kenner, a political action committee, whose Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 11-955

Request that the Board waive the \$40 late fee assessed against Maureen "Moe" Clary, a candidate for Mayor of the City of Covington in the April 2, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 1 day late.

Docket No. 11-956

Request that the Board waive the \$1,400 late fee assessed against TPAC, a political action committee, whose 180-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 11-957

Request that the Board waive the \$200 late fee assessed against Ginger Armstrong, a candidate for Caddo Parish School Board in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late.

Docket No. 11-1015

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000, \$1,000, \$400 and \$100 campaign finance late fees assessed against Allen "Al" Leone, a candidate for Jefferson Parish President, in the October 20, 2007 election, a candidate for Senate, 9th Senatorial District in the October 4, 2008 election, and a candidate for Jefferson Parish Assessor in the April 2, 2011 election, whose (2) Supplemental reports were filed 69, EDE-P report was filed 4 days late, and 10-G report was filed 1 day late.

G33. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

Docket No. CHART

Lobbying Waiver Request Chart for July 2011 meeting.

Docket No. 11-1039

Request that the Board waive the \$50 late fee assessed against Fred Chevalier for failure to timely file his April 2011 Executive lobbying expenditure report.

Docket No. 11-1047

Request that the Board waive the \$300 late fee assessed against Warren Privette Sr. for failure to timely file his March 2011 Legislative and Executive lobbying expenditure report.

Docket No. 11-1048

Request that the Board waive the \$50 late fee assessed against Jim Perry for failure to timely file his December 2010 Executive lobbying expenditure report.

G34. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. CHART

Personal Financial Disclosure Waiver Chart for July 2011.

Docket No. 11-876

Waiver request submitted by Jimmy Wallace to waive a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his Tier 2.1 personal financial disclosure statement 522 days late.

Docket No. 11-880

Waiver request submitted by Ronald Dugas regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 personal financial disclosure statement 36 days late.

Docket No. 11-881

Waiver request submitted by Deanna LeJuene regarding a \$200 late fee for

filing her Tier 3 candidate personal financial disclosure statement four (4) days late.

Docket No. 11-960

Waiver request submitted by Mayor Kip Holden regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2008 annual personal financial disclosure statement 449 days late.



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Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges filed against candidates who have failed to timely file campaign finance disclosure reports.

Discussion in executive session regarding the lawsuit in Scott Wilfong, et al. v. Louisiana Board of Ethics, et al.

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GS1. Docket No. 11-1016

Request for an advisory opinion regarding whether Byron Hines,

Administrator of the Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home, may accept a scholarship to attend a conference.

GS2. Docket No. 11-1068

Advisory opinion as to whether the 14 year old son of Robert Myer, Mayor of New Roads, may continue to his employment with the City of New Roads.

GS3. Docket No. 11-1110

Notice of disclosure statements filed with the Board during the month of June 2011.

Regular Business

GS4. Docket No. COMMEND

Commendations to former Louisiana Board of Ethics members Mr. Scott E. Frazier, Mr. James Boyer and Dr. Robert P. Bareikis.

GS5. Docket No. 09-710

Clarification of an advisory opinion regarding Harold Temple, an employee of the Sabine River Authority, entering into transactions with the Sabine River Authority.

GS6. Docket No. 11-620

Reconsideration of an advisory opinion regarding whether a company owned by Reid Falconer, a member of the St. Tammany Parish Council, may apply for an "administrative approval" of a minor subdivision of property.

GS7. Docket No. LEGISLA

2011 Regular Legislative Session Update

GS8. Docket No. EXLEGIS

2011 Extraordinary Session Legislative Update