

# **Louisiana Board of Ethics**

LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room
APRIL 20, 2017
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on April 20, 2017 and continue to April 21, 2017.

# **Executive Session**

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

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of litigation involving Elizabeth Jones, former employee of the City of Grambling in Docket No. 2009-860.</u>

<u>Discussion in executive session regarding charges filed against Mike Mouton in Docket No. 2015-556.</u>

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# **GENERAL**

# **Appearances**

### **G1.** Docket No. 16-603

Reconsideration of the Board's suspension of all but \$450 of a \$1,500 late fee assessed against Vincent P. Borrello Jr., Board of Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters, for filing his 2014 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 108 days late.

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$1,025 campaign finance late fee assessed against John "Jay" Batt, Jr., in his capacity as a candidate for New Orleans City Council/District A, in the February 6, 2010 election, whose 2015 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 22 days late.

# G3. Docket No. 16-960

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by William Earl Maddox, Constable - Claiborne Parish, 1st JP Court, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2012 Tier 2 annual PFD 55 days late.

#### **G4.** Docket No. 17-222

Waiver request submitted by Lea Williams, West Feliciana Parish Police Juror-District 1, regarding a \$1,500 late assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 166 days late.

#### **G5.** Docket No. 17-226

Request to waive the \$150 late fee assessed against Rodney Scott for the late filing of the December 2016 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

# **G6.** Docket No. 17-274

Request to waive the \$750 late fee assessed against Mason Dupre for the late filing of the November 2016 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

### **G7.** Docket No. 17-278

Advisory opinion request by Dr. Jennifer Longwell, Chairman of the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board (Behavior Analyst Board), regarding whether a former board member of the Behavior Analyst Board may be hired as a Complaints Coordinator with her former agency within two years of their termination from the Behavior Analyst Board.

### **Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions**

#### **G8.** Docket No. CHART

Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent April 2017 Agenda.

### **G9.** Docket No. 16-515

Reconsideration of an advisory opinion requested by Daniel Broussard on behalf of Lee Stanley regarding whether Lee Stanley may be employed on a part-time basis as Chief of Rapides Parish Fire District No. 12 (Fire District).

#### **G10.** Docket No. 16-1280

Advisory opinion request from Christian Creed regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit the Ouachita Parish Police Jury from seizing funds produced by a millage for the GB Cooley Hospital and using those in ways not intended by the millage. (GB Cooley Hospital is located in Monroe, La.)

# **G11.** Docket No. 17-074

Advisory opinion request as to whether Earl Davis may introduce a project for which he would be compensated by the Southside Economic Development District (SEDD) while he volunteers as an advisor to the SEDD.

#### **G12.** Docket No. 17-076

Advisory Opinion request of Stephen Nunnery, Director of Administration for the City of Zachary, regarding the employment of his daughter by the City's Utility Department.

#### **G13.** Docket No. 17-130

Consideration of a disqualification plan concerning the supervision of Anthony Jeansonne, a Police Officer with the Alexandria Police Department, following his marriage to the daughter of Alfred Bordelon, Assistant Chief of Police.

#### **G14.** Docket No. 17-220

Advisory opinion request as to whether Isaac Joseph, Superintendent of the Jefferson Parish Public School System, may accept an honorarium and payment of travel, meal, ground transportation and lodging costs in exchange for providing consulting services.

#### **G15.** Docket No. 17-229

Advisory opinion request from Jeff Davis Water and Sewer Commission (Commission) regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics (Code) would prohibit the Commission from purchasing a vehicle from Gulf Coast Autoplex (Autoplex) while the Commission President, Greg Bordelon, is employed by the Autoplex.

# **G16.** Docket No. 17-230

Advisory Opinion request of Benjamin A. Huxen, II, former Executive Counsel of the Division of Administration, regarding his possible acceptance of the Executive Director position with the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System (MPERS).

#### **G17.** Docket No. 17-231

Advisory opinion request by the Village of Doyline Chief of Police, Robert Hayden, regarding whether a full time employee within the Doyline Police Department may be employed as a special investigator for the District Attorney and perform work for the District Attorney's Office during his working hours with the police department.

#### **G18.** Docket No. 17-234

Advisory Opinion request of R. David Brown, attorney, regarding the interpretation of La. R.S. 40:1046, also known as the Alison Neustrom Act, concerning the therapeutic use of marijuana.

#### **G19.** Docket No. 17-238

Advisory Opinion request of Jana Comstock, Principal of Glen View Elementary School located in Ruston, regarding the use of Charlie's Carpet Cleaning, which is owned by the spouse of a Glen View Elementary School teacher.

# **G20**. Docket No. 17-240

Advisory opinion request from Shirley McCoy regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics (Code) would prohibit her, a Louisiana State Library employee, from becoming a featured author at the 2017 Louisiana Book Festival.

### **G21.** Docket No. 17-241

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Erin Guerra can be employed with NANO, LLC, while she is employed as a Building Plan Examiner with the New Orleans Department of Safety and Permits.

#### **G22.** Docket No. 17-243

Advisory Opinion request of Lisa Mimnagh, mental health nurse practitioner, as to whether she can provide services to the South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority at the Terrebonne Mental Health Clinic in Houma, while providing the same services for the START Corporation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, also located in Houma.

### **G23.** Docket No. 17-244

Advisory opinion request by the City of Shreveport Human Resources Director, Angelita Jackson, regarding whether she may be employed as an adjunct instructor with Wiley College while she is employed by the City of Shreveport.

# **G24.** Docket No. 17-246

Advisory Opinion request by Terri Mitchell, Executive Director of the Workforce Development Board, SDA-83, Inc. (Monroe), regarding the receipt of Work Opportunity Tax Credits by members of the board.

### **G25.** Docket No. 17-250

Advisory opinion request, submitted on behalf of the First Planning District Workforce Development Board, regarding whether it may contract with Jennifer Barnett to provide professional services following the termination of her employment with the Louisiana Workforce Commission.

#### **G26.** Docket No. 17-252

Advisory opinion request concerning post-employment restrictions that would apply if James Carinio, Jr.'s employment with the Louisiana Workforce Commission ends due to a reduction of force.

## **G27.** Docket No. 17-253

Advisory Opinion request of William McGoey, an Assistant District Attorney in the St. Bernard Parish District Attorney's office, as to whether he can bid on and purchase an adjudicated property from St. Bernard Parish Government.

### G28. Docket No. 17-255

Advisory opinion request concerning a worker's compensation claim Michael L. Wittler, a Commissioner for the Gravity Drainage District Number Four of Calcasieu Parish (District), wishes to pursue legal action for a work-related injury he suffered as an employee of the District.

### **G29.** Docket No. 17-256

Advisory opinion request by Tangipahoa Parish President Robby Miller regarding whether his wife's company, Bean Town LLC, can continue an agreement with Tangipahoa Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 d/b/a North Oaks Hospital while he serves as the Parish President.

### **G30.** Docket No. 17-257

Advisory opinion request from Mamou Mayor Ricky Fontenot regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit an attorney from serving as a part time assistant district attorney for Evangeline Parish and simultaneously serving as a magistrate for Mamou's Mayor Court.

# G31. Docket No. 17-275

Advisory opinion request from Chris J. Roy, Jr., regarding whether his client, Louisiana State Police employee, John Parker, III, is prohibited by the Code of Governmental Ethics from requesting that the Grant Parish Police Jury stop providing maintenance on a dirt road in a right of way on land he recently purchased.

#### **G32.** Docket No. 17-277

Advisory opinion request as to whether a company owned by Carl Newburg, C & N Computer Services, may continue to do business with the LaSalle Parish School Board if his son-in-law is appointed as Superintendent of LaSalle Parish Schools.

#### **G33.** Docket No. 17-279

Advisory Opinion request of Nathan Dronette, former employee of GOHSEP,

regarding post-employment restrictions.

#### **G34.** Docket No. 17-281

Advisory Opinion request regarding the propriety of Rosa DeJean, a Deputy Clerk of Court with the Orleans Parish Civil District Court, notarizing documents.

#### **G35.** Docket No. 17-291

Advisory opinion request as to whether the Pointe Coupee Parish School Board may transact business with Scott Fence Company.

# **G36.** Docket No. 17-301

Advisory Opinion request of Jennifer Jones, District Attorney for the 38th JDC (Cameron Parish), regarding the Cameron Parish Library Board of Commissioners Jaimie Boudreaux and Ernest Roberts.

### **G37.** Docket No. 17-310

Advisory Opinion request of Tina Petry, compliance officer with Franklin Foundation Hospital, regarding the possible employment of Dr. Bryan G. Frentz.

#### **G38.** Docket No. 17-326

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Mayor of Kenner is prohibited from appointing the husband of his assistant to serve as a Commissioner on the Kenner Housing Authority Board.

# **Disclosure Reports**

## **G39.** Docket No. 17-265

PFD Answer submitted by Joshua Peterson, former member of the Jackson Parish Police Jury-District 3, in response to a NOD received requesting his 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd.

#### Regular Business

### **G40.** Docket No. MINUTES

March 2017 Board Minutes

### **G41.** Docket No. 14-1167

Consent Order regarding Laurie Carroll, a Northwestern State University employee, who failed to receive mandatory ethics training in 2013.

#### **G42.** Docket No. 17-219

Advisory opinion request of David Peterson, with the La. Department of Health (LDH), regarding post-employment restrictions following a layoff due to budget cuts.

### **G43.** Docket No. 17-233

Advisory opinion request from the Chief Investigator for the East Baton Rouge Coroner's Office Shane Evans regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Coroner's Office death investigators from transporting dead bodies for the Louisiana Organ Procurement Agency (LOPA).

#### **G44.** Docket No. 17-251

Advisory opinion regarding whether Dr. Michael Williams may become an employee or an independent contractor of Acadia-St. Landry Hospital.

## **G45.** Docket No. 17-294

Advisory Opinion request of Marshall Hevron on behalf of Discovery Health Sciences Foundation, Inc., and Friends of Discovery Health Sciences

Foundation, Inc.

### **G46.** Docket No. 17-411

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Steven Conrad, Professor at LSU Health Sciences Center, may provide compensated services to Baxter Healthcare at a time when Baxter Healthcare provides products to University Health and Willis Knighton Medical Center.

#### G47. Docket No. LEGISLA

Consideration of legislation for the 2017 Regular Legislative Session.

### **G48. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**

#### Docket No. chart

April 2017 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

# Docket No. 16-376

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jarvis Lewis, a candidate for Councilman at Large, St. Charles Parish in the October 24, 2015 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report has not been filed.

### Docket No. 16-446

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Dina Domangue, a candidate for Caldwell Parish Clerk of Court in the October 24, 2015 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

# Docket No. 16-1003

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Donald Burris, in his capacity as a candidate for Mayor / Village of Folsom in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 2015 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 192 days late.

#### Docket No. 16-1222

Request that the Board waive the \$240, \$60, \$600 and \$120 campaign finance late fees assessed against Antoine Pierce, a candidate for Councilman / Metro District 8 in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 180-P, 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 88, 1, 12 and 2 days late respectively.

#### Docket No. 17-082

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 and \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Andrea Aymond, in her capacity as a candidate for District Judge / 12th Judicial District Court, Division A, in the November 4, 2014 election, the committee's chairperson, Thomas Garrot, Jr. and the treasurer, Carla Mayeaux, whose 2015 and 2016 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports that were filed 394 and 29 days late, respectively.

# Docket No. 17-173

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Greg Route, in his capacity as a candidate for Mayor, Town of Franklinton in the November 8, 2016, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 36 days late.

#### Docket No. 17-236

Request that the Board waive the \$160 campaign finance late fee assessed against Rosetta Wilson, a candidate for Councilmen, Town of Coushatta in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report

was filed 48 days late.

### Docket No. 17-237

Request that the Board waive the \$300 campaign finance late fee assessed against Rose "Ree" Williams Carey, a candidate for Councilman, Metro District 12 in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late.

#### Docket No. 17-242

Request that the Board waive the \$600, \$300 and \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Leander "Shane" Zanders, a candidate for Councilman, Metro District 12 in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 56, 5 and 54 days late, respectively.

### **G49. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING**

# Docket No. 17-300

Request to waive the \$900 late fee assessed against Beth Meeks for the late filing of the December 2016 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

### G50. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

#### Docket No. waiver

April 2017 PFD Waiver Chart.

#### Docket No. 17-221

Waiver request submitted by Rick Ramsey, former Mayor of the City of Walker, Livingston Parish, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 2 annual pfd 134 days late.

### Docket No. 17-223

Waiver request submitted by Martha Pittman-Cooley, member of the Dubberly Board of Aldermen, Webster Parish, regarding a \$450 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 9 days late.

#### Docket No. 17-225

Waiver request submitted by James Parrott, Chief of Police for Rosepine, Vernon Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 105 days late.

### Docket No. 17-228

Waiver request submitted by David Smith, former member of the Elizabeth Board of Aldermen, Allen Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 56 days late.

### Docket No. 17-260

Waiver request submitted by Katiyra Haggerty, a member of the Shreveport Housing Authority, regarding a \$300 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2014 Tier 2.1 pfd 6 days late.

## Docket No. 17-261

Waiver request submitted by Jay Prejean, Constable for St. Landry Parish-District 11, regarding a \$1,500 late fee for failing to file his 2014 Tier 3 annual pfd.

### Docket No. 17-262

Waiver request submitted by Kieran Coleman, former member of the White Lake Property Advisory Board, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2013 Tier 2.1 pfd 162 days late.

### Docket No. 17-264

Waiver request submitted by Prince Robinson, Sr., a member of the Lake Providence Port Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 pfd 56 days late.

### Docket No. 17-266

Waiver request submitted by Alva See, III, a member of the Municipal Yacht Harbor Management Corporation, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 pfd 98 days late.

### Docket No. 17-269

Waiver request submitted by Otis Wilson, a former member of the West Feliciana Parish Police Jury-District 7, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 95 days late.

## Docket No. 17-270

Waiver request submitted by Bergen Oge, a member of the Robeline Board of Aldermen-Natchitoches Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 91 days late.

#### Docket No. 17-271

Waiver request submitted by Theodore Young, a former member of the French Quarter-Marigny Historic Area Management District, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2014 Tier 2.1 pfd 127 days late.

## Docket No. 17-272

Waiver request submitted by Bradley Cantrell, a former member of the St. Bernard Parish Port Harbor and Terminal District, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2014 Tier 2.1 pfd 287 days late.

### **G51. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS**

### Docket No. 16-1198

Reconsideration request that the Board waive the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Deidra Jackson for her failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Report.

### Docket No. 16-1259

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by James Terry "Bippy" Hoof, Cullen Board of Aldermen - Webster Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for not filing his 2015 Tier 3 annual PFD as of this date.