

# **Louisiana Board of Ethics**

LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room
APRIL 19, 2018
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on April 19, 2018 and continue to April 20, 2018.

# **Executive Session**

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

<u>Discussion in Executive Session regarding pending charges against Jason Doyle in Board Docket No. 2013-108.</u>

<u>Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges issued against Doris Hicks,</u> Monique Cook, Darrin Cook, and Iris Ponson in Docket No. 2013-1258.

<u>Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges issued against Sandra Black in Docket No. 2014-763.</u>

<u>Discussion in Executive Session regarding pending charges against Arnold Bellow in Docket No. 2016-017.</u>

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APRIL 20, 2018
9:00 AM
617 North 3rd Street
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# **GENERAL**

### **G1.** Docket No. 16-810

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Gerald "Jermarr" Williams, a candidate for Mayor, Town of White Castle in the November 4, 2014 election, whose EDE-G report was filed 582 days late.

### **G2.** Docket No. 16-1040

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000, \$760 and \$1,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Allen Broussard, in his capacity as a candidate for Chief of Police, City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, in the March 5, 2016 election, whose 30-P, 10-G and 40-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 74, 19 and 517 days late, respectively.

### G3. Docket No. 17-682

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by John Mark Coghlan, Zachary City Council, District 3 (East Baton Rouge Parish) regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 94 days late.

# **G4.** Docket No. 18-045

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$800 and \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Derrick Edwards, a candidate for State Treasurer in the October 14, 2017 election, whose 10-P and Special (48 Hour) campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 8 and 6 days late, respectively.

# **G5.** Docket No. 18-118

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Envision Gonzales, political action committee, and its committee chairperson, Derrick Coco in the October 14, 2017 proposition election, whose 40-E campaign finance disclosure report was filed 43 days late.

### **G6.** Docket No. 18-191

Request that the Board waive the \$3,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against the Community Organization for Urban Politics, a political action committee, and its committee's chairperson, Lambert Boissiere, Jr., in the November 18, 2017 election whose 40-G campaign finance report was filed 19 days late.

### **G7.** <u>Docket No. 18-213</u>

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit recently elected Representative Mark Wright from continuing his employment with the American Waterways Operators.

## **Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions**

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

Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent April 2018 Agenda.

# **G9.** Docket No. 17-1363

Advisory opinion request by Dr. Michael Cramer, Coroner for East Feliciana Parish, regarding whether a person who has a contract with Dr. Cramer would be prohibited from being employed by the Coroner's Office.

### **G10.** Docket No. 18-057

Request for an advisory opinion from the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority as to whether it is permissible for a current member of the Board to purchase immovable property owned by the agency.

### **G11.** Docket No. 18-095

Advisory opinion request by Ken Bradford, Assistant Superintendent of the Louisiana Department of Education, regarding whether La. R.S. 42:1111C(2) (d) would prohibit his spouse from entering into a business transaction of setting up a yard greeting for a public school or individual who is a school system employee.

## **G12.** Docket No. 18-097

Advisory opinion regarding whether members of the Louisiana Finfish Taskforce are required to file annual personal financial disclosure statements.

# **G13.** Docket No. 18-131

Request for Advisory Opinion from Perry Norcross, a Physical Education teacher at Benton Elementary in Bossier Parish (pop. 116,979), relative to teaching archery to children who attend schools in Bossier and Caddo parishes.

### **G14.** Docket No. 18-146

Request for an Advisory Opinion from Quint J. Liner, Sr., Chief for Terrebonne Parish (111,860) Fire Protection District No. 10, who would like to enter into a business relationship with Robert Champagne, Jr., District Chairman for Terrebonne Parish Fire Protection District No. 10.

## **G15.** Docket No. 18-182

Disqualification plan submitted by Keith Stutes, 15th Judicial District Attorney, and Tricia Manceaux regarding participation in transactions involving Liberty National Life Insurance Company and the Office of the District Attorney.

### **G16.** Docket No. 18-183

Advisory opinion request as to whether board members of Recreation District 14 in St. Tammany Parish d/b/a Coquille Parks and Recreation may accept free tickets to an awards banquet.

### **G17.** Docket No. 18-184

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Dave's Pest Control is prohibited from rendering pest control services to the City of Broussard.

### **G18.** Docket No. 18-185

Advisory Opinion request from Mario C. Chavez Commissioner- District 10, of the Caddo Parish Commission.

## **G19.** Docket No. 18-188

Advisory opinion request by Laverne Mixon, Alderwoman for the Town of Chatham (Jackson Parish pop. 557) regarding whether her husband, James Mixon, may lease property wholly-owned by both of them to the Town of Chatham.

## **G20.** Docket No. 18-190

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the post employment restrictions in the Code of Governmental Ethics (Code) would prohibit Antonio LeMon, as a recent retiree of the 22nd JDC District Attorney's Office, from rendering legal services in three certain situations.

### **G21.** Docket No. 18-193

Advisory opinion request by Alfred Cyprian, a former state employee, regarding whether he can openly show support or opposition for candidates seeking to be elected to local, state or any positions after his retirement from public service.

### **G22.** Docket No. 18-194

Advisory Opinion request from Larry Rolling, Councilman, District D, City of Covington.

# **G23.** Docket No. 18-205

Advisory Opinion request from Clifton Speed, ADA, regarding Bertha Coleman and Major Coleman with St. Helena Parish Police Jury. (Pop. = 11,203)

## **G24.** Docket No. 18-208

Advisory opinion request from Concordia Parish Police Jury Secretary Sandi Burley regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit the Concordia Parish Section 8 Housing Program from being overseen by Lasalle Community Action Association, Inc. (LCAA) while two of the Concordia Parish Police Jurors are associated with LCAA.

### **G25.** Docket No. 18-210

Advisory opinion request by Oberlin Police Chief Grady Haynes (Allen Parish pop. 1,770) regarding whether it is possible for you to work part-time with the Village of Fenton Police Department (Jefferson Davis Parish pop. 380) while you serve as the Chief of Police for the Town Oberlin.

## **G26.** Docket No. 18-211

Advisory opinion request regarding transactions members of Louisiana's National Register Review Committee may enter into related to programs administered by the Division of Historic Preservation.

### **G27.** Docket No. 18-215

Request for an Advisory Opinion from Kenneth Wilson, Councilman City of Monroe, Louisiana (pop. 48,815) relative to whether he could hire Jacqueline Benjamin, an employee of the City of Monroe, to work as a consultant for his non-profit organization.

### **Disclosure Reports**

### **G28.** Docket No. 18-104

PFD answer filed by Dennis Aucoin, former member of the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury-District 1A.

### **G29.** Docket No. 18-105

PFD answer submitted by Jennifer Fant, Mayor of the Village of Belcher, Caddo Parish (Pop. 263).

# **G30.** Docket No. 18-106

PFD answer submitted by Robert Fant, Chief of Police of the Village of Belcher, Caddo Parish (Pop. 263).

### **G31.** Docket No. 18-142

PFD answer submitted by Susan Guarisco, a member of the Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners.

### **G32.** Docket No. 18-145

PFD answer submitted by Faith Scott, member of the DeRidder City Council, Beauregard and Vernon Parishes (Pop. 10,578).

## **G33.** Docket No. 18-159

PFD answer submitted by Teresa Holden, Constable, Ward 4-Tangipahoa Parish.

### **G34.** Docket No. 18-160

PFD answer submitted by Robert Rogan, Jr., a former member of the

Northshore Charter School Board.

## **Regular Business**

## G35. Docket No. MINUTES

March 2018 Board Minutes

### **G36.** Docket No. 13-513

Consent Order regarding Adam J. Hurley, Sr. d/b/a Hook & Ladder Training Services, LLC, at a time when Adam J. Hurley, Sr. was a paid fireman for the Webster Parish Fire Protection District #8, receiving the use of equipment and money from the Webster Parish Fire Protection District #8, which he was not duly entitled to receive, to conduct training courses that were not part of his job duties and responsibilities and participating in transactions in which his spouse had a substantial economic interest.

## **G37.** Docket No. 14-1419

Consent order regarding Mike Crawford, an employee of the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office, receiving Disney points from a vendor of the Sheriff's Office to receive discounted Disney lodging during a vacation.

## **G38.** Docket No. 18-209

Advisory Opinion request from L. Keith Bartlett, Principal and CEO of the Lycée Francais De La Nouvelle-Orléans Charter School in New Orleans.

## G39. Docket No. LEGISLA

Consideration of legislation for the 2018 Regular Legislative Session.

# **G40. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**

## Docket No. chart

April 2018 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

### Docket No. 17-1291

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Belden "Noonie Man" Batiste, in his capacity as a candidate for Council Member, District D, Orleans Parish in the October 14, 2017 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 179 days late.

#### Docket No. 18-114

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Daniel Ring, a candidate for Councilmember, District A, Orleans Parish, in the October 14, 2017 election, for filing the 10-G campaign finance disclosure report 20 days late.

### Docket No. 18-128

Request that the Board waive the \$2,400 campaign finance late fee assessed against the LA Coalition Against Racism and Nazism, a political action committee, its committee chairperson, Lawrence N. Powell, and treasurer, Karen Carvin Shachat, whose 2016 Annual campaign finance report was filed 12 days late.

## Docket No. 18-192

Request that the Board waive the \$2,500 campaign finance late fee assessed against Robin Pittman, a candidate for Judge, Court of Appeal, 4th Circuit, 1st District, Division F, Orleans Parish, and her committee's chairperson, Andrea Mumford, and treasurer, Angela Davis, in the March 24, 2018 election, whose 180-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 155 days late.

### Docket No. 18-276

Request that the Board waive the \$3,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against the Citizens for a Safer Ouachita, a political action committee, its committee director, William R. Boles, Jr., and chairperson, Claude B. Mi, in the November 18, 2017 proposition election whose 40-E campaign finance report was filed 73 days late.

### **G41. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING**

### Docket No. CHART

Lobbying Waiver Request Chart for the April 20, 2018 meeting.

### Docket No. 18-129

Request to waive the \$300 late fee assessed against Charles Lambert for the late filing of the December 2017 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

### Docket No. 18-158

Request to waive the \$1,500 late fee assessed against David Cagnolatti for filing his 2018 Lobbying registration 34 days late.

# Docket No. 18-186

Request to waive the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Michael Troy McCullen for filing his 2018 Lobbying registration 41 days late.

### Docket No. 18-187

Request to waive the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Louis Lambert for filing his 2018 Lobbying registration 47 days late.

## G42. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

### Docket No. 18-143

Waiver request submitted by Major Coleman with the Louisiana Board of Commerce and Industry, regarding two \$500.00 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2015 and 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 10 days late.

### G43. WAIVER REQUESTS - OTHER DISCLOSURE

#### Docket No. 18-130

Waiver request submitted by Dennis Bergeron, member of the Sulphur City Council (Pop. 20,410), District 2, Calcasieu Parish, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2014 R.S. 42:1114 disclosure 999 days late; \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 R.S. 42:1114 disclosure 632 days late; and, a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 R.S. 42:1114 disclosure 268 days late.

# **G44.** WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS

### Docket No. 17-1303

Reconsideration of a the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by Daniel L. Ponder Jr., Constable - Jackson Parish - District D, regarding a \$550 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 3 annual pfd 11 days late.