



Louisiana Board of Ethics

**LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room
APRIL 18, 2013
1:00 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Note: Meetings begin on April 18, 2013 and continue to April 19, 2013.

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 issued against Donald Villere.](#)

[Discussion in executive session regarding charges issued against Rayburn Boland and Elaine Boland.](#)

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APRIL 19, 2013
9:00 AM
617 North 3rd Street
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GENERAL

Appearances

G1. [Docket No. 12-2160](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Gregory St. Etienne may resign from the Board of Directors of FirstLine Schools, Inc., and accept employment with a

nonprofit, and provide services to FirstLine Schools, Inc., through the nonprofit.

G2. [Docket No. 13-253](#)

Waiver request submitted by Larry Thibodeaux, a member of the Louisiana Sweet Potato Board, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 366 days late.

G3. [Docket No. 13-283](#)

Waiver request submitted by Derrick Frazier, a member of the Sicily Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 288 days late.

G4. [Docket No. 13-313](#)

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$60, \$600, and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against Justin L. Conner, Sr., a candidate for State Representative, District 21, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P, EDE-P, and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 1, 358, and 17 days late.

G5. [Docket No. 13-339](#)

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$1,140 campaign finance late fee assessed against Derek Babcock, a candidate for State Senate, District 13, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 19 days late.

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

G6. [Docket No. 12-328](#)

Dismissal of charges filed against Andrew "Candy" Rhodes, a candidate for St. Bernard Parish Council, District E, in the October 22, 2011 who failed to file his EDE-P report.

G7. [Docket No. 13-013](#)

Advisory opinion regarding whether Dr. Chris Lartigue may contract back with the LSU Bogalusa Medical Center, within two years of the termination of his employment with the LSU Bogalusa Medical Center, to provide psychiatric services, which he provided during his employment with the Medical Center.

G8. [Docket No. 13-117](#)

Advisory opinion regarding Savoy's Bail Bonding Service, LLC, owned by Ville Platte Police Officer Nathaniel Savoy, producing bail bonds in parishes other than Evangeline Parish.

G9. [Docket No. 13-203](#)

Advisory opinion regarding the post employment restrictions applicable to Ellroy James, a former Attorney for the Louisiana Department of Revenue (LDR).

G10. [Docket No. 13-204](#)

Advisory opinion regarding what can be done to protect the job of the spouse of Carl Contranchis, former Clerk of Court for the City of Gretna, while he campaigns for a position on the Gretna City Council.

G11. [Docket No. 13-208](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding whether an Assistant District Attorney for the

21st Judicial District Court and his law firm may represent individuals and corporations that lobby the East Baton Rouge Parish Metro Council on certain issues.

G12. [Docket No. 13-221](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding whether a nominee may be appointed to the Lady of the Sea Hospital Board while his wife is employed with the Lady of the Sea Hospital.

G13. [Docket No. 13-222](#)

Advisory opinion request from Mayor Rickey Fontenot regarding whether the Town of Mamou may obtain insurance coverage from Dupuis Insurance Co., a local insurance company which the elected Police Chief Gregory Dupuis, is part owner.

G14. [Docket No. 13-225](#)

Advisory opinion regarding whether a member of the Iota Long Point Drainage Board and a Constable for Ward 4, Michael Habetz, may serve as an independent contractor for the Acadia Parish School Board.

G15. [Docket No. 13-230](#)

Advisory opinion regarding whether Donna Bertrand, the Human Resource Director for Acadia Parish Police Jury, may be appointed and have a vote on the Personnel Committee for the Police Jury.

G16. [Docket No. 13-233](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding whether board meetings of the Terrebonne Parish Fire District #10 and the DuLarge Volunteer Fire Department may be transmitted electronically to a member of its Board of Commissioners by computer to his work location.

G17. [Docket No. 13-237](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding fund raising for the Bossier Sheriff 's Young Marine Program.

G18. [Docket No. 13-259](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Mr. Patrick S. MacDanel a former Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) supervisory biologist for wetland deliniations is prohibited from contracting to provide documentation services for the National Enviromental Protection Act. (NEPA)

G19. [Docket No. 13-265](#)

Advisory opinion regarding whether a company which employs Chuck Autin, a member of the City of Franklin Council, may sell cars to the City of Franklin.

G20. [Docket No. 13-267](#)

Advisory opinion request from Mr. Lynn Guidry a member of the Lafayette Parish School System "Community Education Plan Committee" regarding whether he may bid on a project with the Lafayette Parish School System for Architecture services.

G21. [Docket No. 13-272](#)

Advisory opinion regarding whether an employee of the Architectural Services Division of the Department of Public Works, Robert Gray, may provide architectural services to the brother, (Patrick Keller) of an employee (Joe Keller) of a contractor (Charles Carter Construction) to the City of Baton Rouge.

- G22.** [Docket No. 13-294](#)
Advisory opinion request regarding a potential conflict of interest between Eric Miller a candidate for Kenner City Council in 2014 and his wife's company Miller Foto of Kenner, LLC.
- G23.** [Docket No. 13-299](#)
Advisory opinion request from Richard Cortizas New Orleans City Attorney regarding whether Nolan Marshall an employee of the Downtown Development District would be prohibited from being appointed to the City Planning Commission.
- G24.** [Docket No. 13-303](#)
Advisory opinion request from Mr. Raymond Impastato regarding employment conducting oyster lease surveys following his retirement from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (DWF).
- G25.** [Docket No. 13-304](#)
Advisory opinion regarding whether Mr. Larry Bergeron, a former city councilman for Morgan City, may be appointed to the Cemetery Committee within two years of the expiration of his term of office.
- G26.** [Docket No. 13-306](#)
Advisory opinion regarding whether State Representative Dalton W. Honore may serve on the Southern University System Foundation (Foundation) Board while a member of State House of Representatives.
- G27.** [Docket No. 13-311](#)
Advisory opinion request regarding whether Kevin Voisin, a former Terrebonne Parish Council Member, may be appointed to serve on the Terrebonne Economic Development Authority Board.
- G28.** [Docket No. 13-353](#)
Advisory opinion request from Byron Hines the Administrator of the Louisiana Northwest War Veterans Home (Home) regarding whether the Ethics Code would prohibit him from promoting Linda Pullit to the Director of Nursing position while her sister Wanda Harris is employed at the Home.

Disclosure Reports

- G29.** [Docket No. 12-972](#)
Charges regarding the failure to file a 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd by Jeffery Weed.
- G30.** [Docket No. 12-1094](#)
Charges regarding the failure to file a 2010 Tier 3 candidate pfd by Joseph Jason.
- G31.** [Docket No. 13-275](#)
Notice of disclosures filed with the Board during the month of February 2013.
- G32.** [Docket No. 13-276](#)
Notice of disclosures filed with the Board during the month of January 2013.

Regular Business

- G33.** [Docket No. MINUTES](#)
March 2013 Board Minutes
- G34.** [Docket No. 12-536](#)

Reconsideration of a request that the Board waive the \$1,400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Shreveport Committee on Political Education, a political action committee, whose EDE-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

G35. [Docket No. 12-2100](#)

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Clarice Kirkland regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 525 days late.

G36. [Docket No. 12-2145](#)

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Sarah Lee regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 115 days late.

G37. [Docket No. 13-053](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Douglas Miller, Constable for Tensas Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 222 days late.

G38. [Docket No. 13-055](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Shane Hart, a member of the Boeuf River Soil & Water Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2008 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 704 days late.

G39. [Docket No. 13-086](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Julie Vezinot, a member of the Commerce and Industry Board, regarding a \$750 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 15 days late.

G40. [Docket No. 13-087](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Harry Voight, Jr., the Police Chief for the Village of Provencal, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 10 days late; and a \$1,500 late fee for filing his 2009 Tier 3 candidate pfd 402 days late.

G41. [Docket No. 13-088](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Joseph Cassimere, member of the St. Landry Parish School Board, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2012-2013 School Board Disclosure Statement 42 days late.

G42. [Docket No. 13-089](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Maria Coleman, candidate for the Roseland Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$650 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 3 candidate pfd 13 days late.

G43. [Docket No. 13-090](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Shelly Tastet, a member of the St. Charles Parish Council, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 136 days late.

G44. [Docket No. 13-092](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Naomi Houston, a member of the Cotton Valley Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 candidate pfd 208 days late.

G45. [Docket No. 13-094](#)

Untimely waiver request submitted by Fred Ballard, a member of the Provencal Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$850 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 17 days late.

G46. [Docket No. 13-106](#)

Reconsideration of an advisory opinion request regarding whether Judge Robert Murphy, of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal, may use his campaign funds to pay two weeks pay to an employee.

G47. [Docket No. 13-184](#)

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Louisiana Bankers Association PAC may give a contribution to a 501(c)(6) organization.

G48. [Docket No. 13-211](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding the propriety of University of New Orleans (UNO) campus organizations accepting donated items of substantial value from private companies that have a business relationship with UNO and conducting events wherein employees of UNO may win those donated items.

G49. [Docket No. 13-231](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding the post employment restrictions applicable to Ms. Gail Kelso upon the termination of her employment with the Louisiana Department of Child and Family Services to seek employment with the National Center for Professional Development and Workforce Initiatives.

G50. [Docket No. 13-307](#)

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Dr. Katherine Williams may serve as a member of the St. Tammany Parish Hospital Board and whether she may receive payments for services provided as a physician from insurers while a member of the St. Tammany Parish Hospital Board.

G51. [Docket No. 13-309](#)

Advisory opinion regarding whether a former member of the Iberia Parish School Board, Paul Distefano, may apply for a promotion with the School District where he was previously permitted to accept a teaching position with the School System.

G52. [Docket No. 13-341](#)

Reconsideration of a request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Belton Moore, a candidate for Alderman-at-Large for the Town of Vivian, in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

G53. [Docket No. LEGISLA](#)

Bills introduced for the 2013 Regular Legislative Session that affect the laws under the jurisdiction of the Board of Ethics.

G54. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

[Docket No. Chart](#)

April 2013 Campaign Finance Waiver Request Chart

[Docket No. 13-273](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$440 campaign finance late fee assessed against Citizens for West Feliciana Parish, a political action committee, whose 40-day after the election campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

[Docket No. 13-290](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$800 campaign finance late fee assessed against SEIU Local 21 LA, a political action committee, whose Monthly campaign finance disclosure report was filed 4 days late.

[Docket No. 13-291](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Denise Holden, a candidate for Orleans City Council, in the February 6, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

[Docket No. 13-292](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Cade Benoit, a candidate for Acadia Parish Police Jury, District 7, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 350 days late.

[Docket No. 13-314](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000, \$2,000, \$2,000, and \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Emmitt Coleman, a candidate for Sheriff of Franklin Parish, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P, 10-P, EDE-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 529,509,489, and 481 days late.

[Docket No. 13-337](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000, \$2,000, \$2,000, and \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Home Builder Association of Central LA, a political action committee whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report for the March 27, 2010 election was filed 456 days late, and 30-P, 10-P, and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports for the October 2, 2010 election were filed 322, 302, and 269 days late.

[Docket No. 13-338](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$420 campaign finance late fee assessed against Joseph B. Cormier, a candidate for Lafayette City Court Marshall, in the October 4, 2008 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

[Docket No. 13-340](#)

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Richard Wayne "Rick" Foster, a candidate for Coroner of Tangipahoa Parish, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

G55. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

[Docket No. waiver](#)

PFD Waiver Chart

[Docket No. 12-1168](#)

Waiver request submitted by Mario Brown, White Castle Chief of Police, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 362 days late.

[Docket No. 12-1952](#)

Waiver request submitted by Brad Robin, Sr., a member of the Louisiana Oyster Task Force, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1

annual pfd 406 days late; a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 406 days late; and \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 48 days late.

[Docket No. 12-2097](#)

Waiver request submitted by Houston Rax, Jr., a candidate for Alexandria City council in the November 6, 2012 election, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2 candidate pfd 25 days late.

[Docket No. 13-083](#)

Waiver request submitted by Clovis Mathews, Sr., a candidate for the Clinton Board of Aldermen in the November 6, 2012 election, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 candidate pfd 40 days late.

[Docket No. 13-254](#)

Waiver request submitted by Eddie Hearn, a member of the Caldwell Parish Police Jury, regarding a \$1,500 late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 and 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 315 days and 315 days late, respectfully.

[Docket No. 13-255](#)

Waiver request submitted by Bobby Joe Milner, Village of Choudrant Police Chief, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 295 days late.

[Docket No. 13-256](#)

Waiver request submitted by Lisa Chafford, Bastrop City Marshall, regarding a \$2,500 late fee, a \$2,500 late fee, and \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 315 days late, her 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 315 days late, and her 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 48 days late.

[Docket No. 13-257](#)

Waiver request submitted by Alice Guess, a member of the Leesville City Council, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 5 days late.

[Docket No. 13-258](#)

Waiver request submitted by Rose McCulloch, a member of the Shreveport City Council, regarding a \$2,200 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 22 days late.

[Docket No. 13-279](#)

Waiver request submitted by Robert Williams, a member of the Lane Regional Medical Center Board, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 38 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 38 days late.

[Docket No. 13-280](#)

Waiver request submitted by Greg Baldwin, a member of the EBR Parish School Board, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 333 days late.

[Docket No. 13-281](#)

Waiver request submitted by Deborah Alexander, a member of the St. Gabriel City Council, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 339 days late; a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 339 days late; and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 94

days late.

[Docket No. 13-284](#)

Waiver request submitted by Kenneth Kern, a member of the Jeanerette Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 candidate pfd in connection with the April 2, 2011 election 512 days late.

[Docket No. 13-285](#)

Waiver request submitted by Stephanie Davis, a member of the International School of Louisiana Board, regarding a \$800 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 16 days late.

[Docket No. 13-286](#)

Waiver request submitted by Peter Bock, a member of the Killian Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 294 days late.

[Docket No. 13-287](#)

Waiver request submitted by Marilyn Ardoin, a member of the Evangeline Parish Solid Waste Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2008 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 337 days late.

G56. WAIVER REQUESTS - HOSPITAL DISCLOSURE

[Docket No. 13-288](#)

Waiver request submitted by Floyd Marshall, Sr., a member of the St. James Parish Hospital Service District, regarding a \$250 late fee assessed for filing his 2013 Hospital Service District Disclosure 5 days late.



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[Discussion in executive session of the litigation in Fontenot, et al. v. Louisiana Board of Ethics, et al. 2012-0034 \(La. 1 Cir. App. 4-10-13\).](#)

[Discussion in Executive session of charges issued against Charlotte Randolph.](#)

[Discussion in executive session of charges issued against Greg Gachassin and The Cartesian Company.](#)

[Discussion in executive session regarding charges issued against Lawrence Haas.](#)

[Discussion in Executive Session of an appeal of a late fee assessed against Empower Pac for the late filing of a monthly campaign report.](#)

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GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL

Appearances

- GS1.** [Docket No. 13-200](#)
Advisory opinion request regarding whether entities partially owned by appointed commissioners of the Bunches Bend Protection District may sell dirt to the Bunches Bend Protection District.
- GS2.** [Docket No. 13-468](#)
Advisory opinion regarding whether Senator Dan Morrish, a member of the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation Board of Directors, may resign from the Senate and the Corporation to apply for the Executive Director's position with the Corporation.

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

- GS3.** [Docket No. 11-1545](#)
Consent opinion regarding Hwy 1 Grocery, transacting business with the Natchitoches Parish School Board, when it is owned by the husband of a member of the school board, Donna Masson, and her brother-in-law.
- GS4.** [Docket No. 12-102](#)
Reconsideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether a member of the Webster Parish Police Jury, Steve Ramsey, may provide contractual services for the Village of Heflin.
- GS5.** [Docket No. 13-262](#)
Advisory opinion request regarding the propriety of Jefferson Davis Parish purchasing property from a company that is owned by a family member of a Louisiana State Representative.
- GS6.** [Docket No. 13-271](#)
Advisory opinion request concerning whether Maria Dugas, a member of the Louisiana State Board of Private Investigator Examiners, may teach the 40 hour private investigator course.
- GS7.** [Docket No. 13-359](#)
Advisory opinion regarding whether members of the Evangeline Parish Ward 5 Fire Protection District are required to file annual personal financial disclosure statements.
- GS8.** [Docket No. 13-361](#)
Advisory opinion request by Ms. Cynthia Suire regarding the privatization of services with the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH), Office of Public Health (OPH) and what effect the post-employment restrictions will have the employees of the public agencies who will now be employed with a private, non-profit entity.

Disclosure Reports

- GS9.** [Docket No. 12-1058](#)
Charges regarding the failure to file a 2009 Tier 3 annual, 2010 Tier 3 annual and a 2010 Tier 3 candidate pfd by Howard Oubre, Jr., a member of the Iberville Parish Council, District 7.