

Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building
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AUGUST 15, 2013
1:00 PM
617 North 3rd Street
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Note: Meetings begin on August 15, 2013 and continue to August 16, 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 Kevin Guidry.

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GENERAL

Appearances

G1. Docket No. 13-583

Waiver request submitted by Michael Mattox, member of the Winnfield City Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 388 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 149 days late.

G2. Docket No. 13-830

Waiver request submitted by Neva Knight, member of the Simpson Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 343 days late.

G3. Docket No. 13-832

Waiver request submitted by Micah Hebert, a candidate for Representative in the October 22, 2011 election, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 Candidate pfd days late.

G4. Docket No. 13-873

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

G5. <u>Docket No. 13-878</u>

Waiver request submitted by Alphonse Badeaux, Jr., a member of the South Central Planning and Development Board, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd days late.

G6. Docket No. 13-885

Waiver request submitted by Jakov Jurisic, a member of the Oyster Task Force, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 490 days late.

G7. Docket No. 13-908

Request that the Board waive the \$780 campaign finance late fees assessed against Billye Goree Burns, a candidate for State Representative 17th District, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports was filed 13 days late.

G8. Docket No. 13-950

Waiver request submitted by Wendy O'Quinn-Perrette, a member of the Bogalusa City Council, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 309 days late.

G9. Docket No. 13-957

Waiver request submitted by Debra Guidry-Thomas, member of the Church Point Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 364 days late.

G10. Docket No. 13-963

Unitmely waiver request submitted by Maria Dugas, a member of the Board of Examiners for Private investigators, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 40 days late.

G11. <u>Docket No. 13-970</u>

Untimely waiver request submitted by Dr. Eldredge Carroll, former Caldwell Parish Coroner, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 157 days late. And, a timely waiver request regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for for filing his 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 239 days late.

G12. Docket No. 13-998

Advisory opinion regarding whether a surgeon for the Tulane University Health Sciences Center (Tulane), Norman McSwain, an appointed board member for the Louisiana Emergency Response Network (LERN), may continue employment

with Tulane if LERN enters into a contract with Tulane.

G13. Docket No. 13-1163

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$600, \$2,000, \$600 and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against Micah Hebert, a candidate for State Representative, 54th District in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P, 10-P, EDE-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 662, 642, 622, and 614 days late.

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

G14. Docket No. 10-705

Consent opinion regarding Derek Lewis, the former Mayor of Port Allen, accepting things of economic value from an informant in connection with "Operation Blighted Official".

G15. Docket No. 11-143

Consent opinion regarding Alvis Duplechin, a Street and Utility Supervisor for the Town of Basile, participating in the supervision of his son, Andrew Duplechin.

G16. Docket No. 11-1558

Consent opinion in connection with charges filed against the Mayor of Independence, Michael Ragusa.

G17. Docket No. 11-1773

Consent opinion regarding regarding R. Wayne Pugh, a member of the Louisiana Real Estate Board, selling appraisal software to real estate appraisers.

G18. Docket No. 13-516

Advisory opinion regarding whether Shane Romero, son of Iberia Parish President Errol Romero, may represent a former member of the Iberia Parish Council in litigation with the Parish Council.

G19. Docket No. 13-719

Advisory opinion request from Washington Paris Sheriff Randy "Country" Seal regarding whether newly elected Assessor Mr. James A. Stevenson, Jr., may continue to appraise property for the Sheriffs Office.

G20. Docket No. 13-867

Advisory opinion request from Eric Rusk, the Mayor of Simmesport, regarding whether council member Sherman Bell's son may be hired as a police officer.

G21. Docket No. 13-904

Advisory opinion regarding whether there is a waiting period that a President of a political committee must abide by prior to participating as a candidate in a campaign for an elected office.

G22. Docket No. 13-913

Advisory opinion regarding whether B.A.S. Construction may donate a building and property to the Richland Parish Sheriff's Office.

G23. Docket No. 13-942

Advisory opinion request concerning the post-employment restrictions applicable to Cherl Domingue, a former employee of the Department of Public Safety and

Corrections.

G24. Docket No. 13-944

Advisory opinion request from Mark Cheairs, President of Livingston Parish Fire Protection District Five, regarding the post employment restrictions on Joe Koczrowski, a former board member.

G25. Docket No. 13-991

Advisory opinion request regarding the propriety of the Executive Director of Shreve Memorial Library driving board members of the Shreve Memorial Library Board of Control to board meetings in a library vehicle.

G26. Docket No. 13-992

Advisory opinion request regarding whether members of the East Columbia Fire District Board of Commissioners may receive compensation for their services as volunteer firefighters in the district.

G27. Docket No. 13-999

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Randall Ferguson may be employed with the Pineville Police Department and the Louisiana State University at Alexandria Police Department at the same time.

G28. Docket No. 13-1024

Advisory opinion request from Jefferson Parish Councilman Mark Spears, regarding whether he may participate and vote in the Parish Council meeting on legislation regarding a potential lease of Jefferson Parish Hospitals, while his wife is employed as a physician with West Jefferson Hospital.

G29. Docket No. 13-1027

Advisory opinion request concerning post-employment restrictions applicable to Cherl Domingue, a former employee of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

Regular Business

G30. Docket No. MINUTES July 2013 Board Minutes

G31. Docket No. 13-409

Waiver request submitted by Alvin Jackson, Richwood Alderman, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual 134 days late. And, an untimely waiver request regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 Candidate pfd 224 days late.

G32. Docket No. 13-690

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Margaret Duhon may provide court reporting services at the 15th Judicial District Court after her retirement.

G33. Docket No. 13-903

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Jefferson Parish School Board may continue a contractual relationship with The Achievement Network (ANet) at a time when the spouse of the Jefferson Parish School System Chief Network Officer, William Murphy, is employed with the company.

G34. Docket No. 13-955

Untimely waiver request submitted by Bobby Higginbotham, former Mayor of

Waterproof, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 115 days late.

G35. Docket No. 13-1025

Advisory opinion request regarding whether a state PAC may make a contribution to a legislative caucus or can PACs make contributions to other PACs.

G36. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. Chart

August 2013 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 13-701

Request the Board waive the \$840 campaign finance late fee assessed against Edward L. Brown, a candidate for Tensas Parish Sheriff in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

Docket No. 13-702

Request that the Board waive the \$1,020 campaign finance late fee assessed against Sharon Weston Broome, a candidate for State Senator, 15th Senatorial District in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 17 days late.

Docket No. 13-703

Request that the Board waive the \$420 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lorraine Perkins McInnis, a candidate for Judge, 24th Judicial District Court, in the April 6, 2013 election, whose Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 13-726

Request the Board waive the \$320 campaign finance late fee assessed against John leyoub, a candidate for Councilman, District D, City of Lake Charles in the April 6, 2013 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 13-849

Request that the Board waive the \$80 campaign finance late fee assessed against Courtney Watts Reyes, a candidate for Council Member, District 5, City of Westwego in the April 6, 2013 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 2 days late.

Docket No. 13-850

Request the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Forum for Equality PAC in the November 6, 2012 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 159 days late.

Docket No. 13-906

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Philip Capitano, a candidate for Mayor, City of Kenner in the March 27, 2010 election, whose 2012 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

Docket No. 13-907

Request that the Board waive the \$800 and \$400 campaign finance late fees assessed against John R. Patterson III, a candidate for Rapides Parish Police

Juror, District C in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-G and EDE-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 488 and 468 days late.

Docket No. 13-910

Request that the Board waive the \$160 and \$40 campaign finance late fees assessed against Khalid Taha, a candidate for Councilman, District G, City of Lake Charles, April 6, 2013 election, whose two Special campaign finance disclosure reports was filed 4 and 1 days late.

Docket No. 13-924

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kevin Merchant, a candidate for Councilman, Town of Vinton, in the April 6, 2013 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 13-979

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Gwendolyn Iles-Foster, a candidate for Councilman, District 3, City of Alexandria, in the November 6, 2012 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 206 days late.

Docket No. 13-980

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Hillery Godfred Johnson, a candidate for Councilman, Metro District 2, in the November 6, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 35 days late.

Docket No. 13-982

Request that the Board waive the \$1,400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Concrete and Aggregate Association of LA (CAAL PAC), whose Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

G37. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

Docket No. 13-641

Waiver request from Kristen Batulis regarding her late registration as a lobbyist for the 2013 calendar year.

G38. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. waiver

August 2013 PFD Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 13-442

Waiver request submitted by Elton Havens, a member of the Merryville Town Council, regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing a 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 2 days late. Waiver request submitted by Teresa Havens, a member of the Merryville Town Council, regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing a 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 2 days late.

Docket No. 13-572

Waiver request submitted by William Watts, a member of the Tickfaw Town Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 335 days late.

Docket No. 13-814

Waiver request submitted by Charlene Young, constable for St. Mary Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing a 2010 Tier 3 candidate pfd 656 days late, a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing a 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 331 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing a 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 282 days late.

Docket No. 13-815

Waiver request submitted by Thomas Bloxom, Jr., the Police Chief for the City of Minden, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 314 days late and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 314 days late.

Docket No. 13-828

Waiver request submitted by Daniel Conwill, IV, a member of the Aububon Commision, regarding a \$350 late fee for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 7 days late.

Docket No. 13-829

Waiver request submitted by James Vaughn, Jr., Tallulah Police Chief, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 243 days late.

Docket No. 13-870

Waiver request submitted by Reed Henderson, member of the House of Representatives, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 432 days late.

Docket No. 13-871

Waiver request submitted by Jerome Richard, member of the House of Representatives, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 360 days late.

Docket No. 13-872

Waiver request submitted by Marie Adams, member of the Kingswood Subdivision Improvement District, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 258 days late.

Docket No. 13-874

Waiver request submitted by Randall Brooks, a member of the Board of Wholesale Drug Distributors, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 280 days late.

Docket No. 13-875

Waiver request submitted by Roosevelt Bryant, Jr., a former member of the Grambling City Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 437 days late.

Docket No. 13-876

Waiver request submitted by Alfred Bickham, a member of the Shreveport Health Care Trust Fund, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 615 days late.

Docket No. 13-877

Waiver request submitted by Guy Boudreaux, a former member of the White Lake Advisory Board, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 276 days late.

Docket No. 13-879

Waiver request submitted by Martha Belton, a member of the Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 269 days late.

Docket No. 13-880

Waiver request submitted by Jeremiah Bolden, a Marshal for the City of Abbeville, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2008 Tier 2 annual pfd 351 days late; a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 351 days late; and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 351 days late.

Docket No. 13-881

Waiver request submitted by Emmitt Coleman, Franklin Parish Sheriff, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate pfd in connection with the October 22, 2011 election days late.

Docket No. 13-882

Waiver request submitted by Jennifer Coates, a member of the Capital Area Soil and Water Conservation District, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 315 days late.

Docket No. 13-883

Waiver request submitted by Simone Honore Chretien, a former member of the Developmental Disabilities Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 279 days late.

Docket No. 13-884

Waiver request submitted by Teri Casso, a member of the Ascension Economic Development Board, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 174 days late.

Docket No. 13-952

Waiver request submitted by Van Showers, a member of the Roseland Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 98 days late.

Docket No. 13-953

Waiver request submitted by Richard Sessoms, former member of the Lane Regional Medical Center Board of Directors, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 103 days late.

Docket No. 13-958

Waiver request submitted by Kimberly Guidry, a member of the Carencro City Council, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 201 days late.

Docket No. 13-959

Waiver request submitted by Teddy Sutton, former member of the Bernice Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 363 days late.

Docket No. 13-960

Waiver request submitted by John Youngblood, Village of Martin Police Chief, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 307 days late.

Docket No. 13-965

Waiver request submitted by Arthur Walker, a member of the Shreveport Housing Authority, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 325 days late.

Docket No. 13-966

Waiver request submitted by Randy Nichols, a member of the East Baton Rouge Housing Authority, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 323 days late.

Docket No. 13-972

Waiver request submitted by Edna Thornton, a member of the DeSoto Parish Tourism Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 432 days late.

Docket No. 13-973

Waiver request submitted by Russell Flint, member of the Caldwell Parish School Board, regarding a \$150 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 3 days late.

Docket No. 13-974

Waiver request submitted by James Santangelo, a constable for East Baton Rouge Parish, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd days late.



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GS1. Docket No. 13-714

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Mayor for the Village of Rodesa may appoint the Water/Wastewater Operator as Police Chief for the Village.

GS2. Docket No. 13-911

Advisory opinion regarding whether a conflict of interest exists if Faltery Jolivette is appointed to a vacancy on the St. Landry Parish School Board while she serves as a member of the Opelousas Housing Authority Board and she is employed with the St. Landry Parish Solid Waste District.

GS3. Docket No. 13-918

Advisory opinion regarding an outside employment opportunity for Stacie

Massey, an employee of Department of Natural Resources, Office of Conservation.

GS4. Docket No. 13-937

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Washington Parish Sheriff's office may contract with a company owned by the brother of the spouse of the Sheriff, Randy Seal.

GS5. Docket No. 13-938

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Joseph DeVillier, a former member of the Acadiana Area Human Services District, may be employed at the Joseph Tyler Mental Health Center.

GS6. Docket No. 13-1048

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Womack Construction may enter into a contract with the West Allen Parish Water District when the President of Womack Construction serves as a board member of the Louisiana Rural Water Association and the West Allen Parish Water District is a member of the Louisiana Rural Water Association.

GS7. Docket No. 13-1049

Advisory opinion request regarding the post-employment restrictions applicable to Mr. Dan Rees, Executive Counsel for Office of Community Development, Disaster Recovery Unit (OCD-DRU).