

Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room
AUGUST 16, 2018
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on August 16, 2018 and continue to August 17, 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 of charges regarding Paulette Bruno in Docket No. 2011-1442.</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.

G2. Docket No. 17-774

PFD answer submitted by Wysinger Cleveland, a member of the Richwood Board of Aldermen, Ouachita Parish (population of 3,392), in response to a NOD requesting he amend his 2016 Tier 3 Annual PFD.

G3. Docket No. 18-682

Request that the Board waive the \$2,500 campaign finance late fee assessed against Reginald "Reggie" Laurent, a candidate for District Judge, 22nd Judicial District Court, Division H, St. Tammany, Washington Parish, October 14, 2017 election, whose 10-G campaign finance report was 147 days late.

G4. Docket No. 18-717

Untimely waiver request submitted by Sharon Green, with the Workforce Development - First Planning District, regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 82 days late.

G5. Docket No. 18-771

PFD Answer submitted by Robert Toale, a member of the Attorney Fee Review Board.

G6. Docket No. 18-773

PFD Answer submitted by Chief Justice Bernette J. Johnson, a member of the Attorney Fee Review Board.

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

G7. Docket No. CHART

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

G8. Docket No. 18-148

Request for an Advisory Opinion from Robert Raymond, Director of Legal Services for St. Charles Parish (pop. 52,812) relative to the purchase of property between Paul J. Hogan, a member of the St. Charles Parish Council and St. Charles Parish.

G9. Docket No. 18-731

Advisory opinion request by Gwendolyn Griffin regarding whether it would be a conflict of interest for her to become a bail bondsman through the Department of Insurance while she is employed by the Tangipahoa Parish Assessor's Office.

G10. Docket No. 18-732

Advisory opinion request as to whether Kaye Cupp may be appointed as City Clerk after her resignation as a member of the Board of Aldermen for the City of Winnsboro.

G11. Docket No. 18-733

Advisory opinion request from Bernard Duhon on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of Hospital Service District No. 2 of Vermilion Parish.

G12. Docket No. 18-735

Advisory opinion request by Jonathan Gaspard, Assistant District Attorney for the 12th J.D.C., regarding whether Rene JeanLuc Borrel may perform permitting/inspection work for the Avoyelles Parish Planning Commission while his brother, Mark Borrel, serves as an Avoyelles Parish Police Juror.

G13. Docket No. 18-738

Request for an advisory opinion relative to the post-employment restrictions in the Ethics Code that apply to Eli Wilson, who retired as a Network Specialist with the St. Tammany Parish Clerk of Court's office.

G14. Docket No. 18-739

Advisory Opinion request from Henry Lafont on behalf of Andrew Martin and

the Greater Lafourche Port Commission.

G15. Docket No. 18-740

Advisory opinion request by David Jarreau, president of the board of directors for the Pointe Coupee Parish Tourism Commission (Tourism Commission), regarding whether he may seek advertisers for a show he plans on producing and hosting to promote local tourism while he serves as president of the board of directors.

G16. Docket No. 18-753

Advisory Opinion request from Rhonda Reap-Curiel, President of Louisiana Industrial Development Executives Association ("LIDEA").

G17. Docket No. 18-767

Advisory opinion request from the City of New Orleans Soft Second Program regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics (Code) would prohibit Kirtland Rush, an employee in the City of New Orleans Construction Unit, from purchasing property from the Soft Second Program.

G18. Docket No. 18-768

Advisory Opinion request from Hubert E. Graves, former DOTD employee, regarding post-employment prohibitions.

G19. Docket No. 18-769

Advisory opinion request regarding Steven Williams' employment as a firefighter with Winn Parish Fire District #3 while his father-in-law serves as one of its appointed board members.

G20. Docket No. 18-776

Request for an advisory opinion relative to whether a construction company which employs Dale Rogers, a St. Mary Parish (pop.54,650) Councilman, can transact business with St. Mary Parish.

G21. Docket No. 18-788

Advisory Opinion request of Nicholas Degueyter, Council member for the Town of Leonville in St. Landry Parish.

G22. Docket No. 18-789

Advisory opinion request concerning post-employment restrictions that would apply to Clifton Gremillion after he retires from Louisiana State Penitentiary.

G23. Docket No. 18-808

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Bruce Anzalone from serving on the Board of the St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 2 while his employer has clients who are physicians on the staff of the hospital or who are tenants of the Board.

G24. Docket No. 18-809

Advisory Opinion request of Lisa French, who is employed with the Department of Education, regarding whether she may be a candidate for school board in an upcoming election.

G25. Docket No. 18-813

Advisory opinion request regarding campaign finance contribution limits that would apply to a limited liability company owned by Dave Freneaux, a candidate for Central City Council in the November 6, 2018 election.

Disclosure Reports

PFD Answer submitted by Louis Voiron, Jr., a member of the Teacher Certification and Appeals Council.

G27. Docket No. 18-772

PFD Answer submitted by Craig Morrow, a member of the Attorney Fee Review Board.

Regular Business

G28. Docket No. MINUTES

July 2018 Board Minutes

G29. Docket No. 15-1395

Consent order signed by Joyce Weiner regarding her performance of the same services back to her former agency through contracts within the two year period following the termination of their public service.

G30. Docket No. RULES

Consideration of proposed Rules for the Louisiana Board of Ethics

G31. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. chart

August 2018 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 17-1253

Request that the Board waive \$900 and \$200 campaign finance late fees assessed against Aaron Christopher, a candidate for Council Member at Large, Division 2, Orleans Parish, in the October 14, 2017 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 9 and 2 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 18-049

Request that the Board waive the \$540 campaign finance late fee assessed against Thomas Thaddeus "Thad" Cossabone, in his capacity as a candidate for Council Member, District D, Orleans Parish in the October 14, 2017 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 18-482

Request that the Board waive two \$1,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Pamela K. Alonso, a candidate for Justice of the Peace, 2nd Justice Court, in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 2016 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 432 days late. (The 2017 Supplemental report was not required to be filed.)

Docket No. 18-517

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Brad Clifton, a candidate for Mayor, Village of Loreauville, Iberia Parish, in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 2017 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 69 days late.

Docket No. 18-737

Request that the Board waive the \$320 campaign finance late fee assessed against Michael "Mike" Koonce, candidate for Councilman, District 2, City of Sulphur, Calcasieu Parish in the March 24, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 18-742

Request that the Board waive the \$1,200 and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against Ellen M. Hazeur, in her capacity as a candidate for Judge,

Civil District Court, Division A, Orleans Parish, in the March 24, 2018 election, and her committee's treasurer, Ernest Colbert, Jr., whose Special (48 Hour) campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 12 and 6 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 18-747

Request that the Board waive the \$180 campaign finance late fee assessed against Royce Duplessis, in his capacity as a candidate for State Representative, 93rd Representative District, in the March 24, 2018 election, and his committee's chairperson, Hedy Duplessis, and treasurer, Ashton M. Jackson, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 3 days late.

Docket No. 18-754

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Robert J. Sanderson, Jr., in his capacity as an other person in the April 29, 2017 election, whose 10-E report was filed 314 days late.

Docket No. 18-759

Request that the Board waive the \$760 and \$120 campaign finance late fees assessed against David Weathersby, a candidate for Councilman, District 1, City of Kenner, in the March 24, 2018 election, whose 30-P and Special campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 19 and 3 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 18-760

Request that the Board waive the \$360 and \$300 campaign finance late fees assessed against Tonya S. Lurry, a candidate for District Judge, 18th JDC, Pointe Coupee and West Baton Rouge Parishes, in the March 24, 2018 election, her committee's chairperson, Jamie E. Fontenot, and treasurer, Donovan Dugas, whose Special (48 Hour) campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 6 and 5 days late.

G32. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

Docket No. 18-734

Request to waive the \$200 late fee assessed against Daryn Bovard for the late filing of the April 2018 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

G33. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. waiver

August 2018 PFD Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 18-718

Waiver request submitted by Rebecca A. Grady, former Constable, District 2 - Madison Parish, regarding the \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD 75 days late.

Docket No. 18-719

Waiver request submitted by Sandra Jo Garlington, with the Dry Prong Board of Alderman - Grant Parish (Pop. 436), regarding \$ 1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2016 Tier 3 annual pfd 64 days late.

Docket No. 18-720

Waiver request submitted by David Charles Bass Jr., former member of the Beauregard Parish Tourist Commission, regarding \$ 1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 348 days late.

Docket No. 18-721

Waiver request submitted by Benjamin Lynn Bellard, with the Acadia - St.

Landry Hospital Service District, regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his2016 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 48 days late.

Docket No. 18-722

Waiver request submitted by Edward M. Beaver III, Constable, Ward 3 - Rapides Parish, regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for failing to file his 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD.

Docket No. 18-723

Waiver request submitted by Dorothy Denise Costin, with the Eros Board of Aldermen, Jackson Parish (Pop. 155), regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD 107 days late.

Docket No. 18-724

Waiver request submitted by James Carl "Jim" Davis, former member of the St. Francisville Board of Aldermen, West Feliciana Parish (Pop. 1765), regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD 97 days late.

Docket No. 18-725

Waiver request submitted by Deshonda Monee' Coleman, a former member of the Louisiana Connections Academy - Charter School, regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2015 Tier 3 annual PFD 295 days late.

Docket No. 18-726

Waiver request submitted by John David Henry Jr., former member of the Coushatta Town Council - Red River Parish (Pop. 1964), regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD 79 days late.

Docket No. 18-728

Waiver request submitted by Mary "Honey Gal" Odenwelder, former member of the Grand Cane Board of Aldermen, DeSoto Parish (Pop. 242), regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD 60 days late.

Docket No. 18-729

Waiver request submitted by George W. Sewell, the Constable, District 4 - Concordia Parish, regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD 68 days late.

G34. WAIVER REQUESTS - SCHOOL BOARD DISCLOSURE

Docket No. 18-727

Waiver request submitted by Vera Meadors, a member of the Claiborne Parish School Board - District 7, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2017-2018 School Board Disclosure Statement 194 days late.

G35. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS

Docket No. 17-1136

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by Gregory Burton, a former member of the Kentwood Town Council - Tangipahoa Parish (Pop. 2198), regarding a \$500.00 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2014 Tier 3 annual pfd 10 days late.

Docket No. 18-218

Reconsideration of the Board's suspension of all but \$650 based on future compliance in connection with a waiver request submitted by Susan Kraus McNeil, former member of the First Planning District - Workforce Development Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 157 days late.

Docket No. 18-267

Reconsideration of the Board's suspension of all but \$1,050 based on future compliance in connection with a waiver request submitted by Cynthia C. Simms, with the Baton Rouge Charter Academy, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2014 Tier 3 annual PFD 262 days late.