

Louisiana Board of Ethics

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Executive Session

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

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GENERAL

Appearances

G1. Docket No. 12-381

An appearance in connection with a request that the Board reconsider to waive the \$1,400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Carolyn N. Hill, a candidate for BESE, District 8 in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

G2. Docket No. 13-822

Waiver request submitted by John Landrum, member of the KIPP New Orleans

Charter School Board, regarding a \$1,000 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 20 days late.

G3. Docket No. 13-963

Reconsideration of an 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.

G4. Docket No. 13-1089

An appearance in connection with a request that the Board reconsider the waiver of the \$1,200, \$1,000 and \$1,200 campaign finance late fees assessed against Pelican State Liberty PAC and Reilly O'Neal, its chairman, whose three (3) Monthly campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 6, 5 and 6 days late.

G5. Docket No. 13-1133

An appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$2,000, \$2,000, \$2,000 and \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Suddenlink Louisiana PAC whose 90-P, 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 243, 181, 161 and 131 days late.

G6. Docket No. 13-1146

Reconsideration of a untimely waiver request regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed against Dexter Brown for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 355 days late; a \$1,900 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 19 days late; and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 25 days late.

G7. Docket No. 13-1364

Waiver request submitted by Jeffery S. Jenkins, a member of the University of Louisiana System, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 380 days late.

G8. Docket No. 13-1369

Waiver request submitted by Seth Magruder Dawson, a member of the State Police Commission, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 Annual pfd 379 days late.

G9. Docket No. 13-1401

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$600 late fee assessed against Barbara J. Haynes for her failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental report.

G10. Docket No. 13-1490

Appearance in connection with the a request that the Board waive the \$150 in late fees assessed against Malcolm Myer for his failure to timely file lobbyist expenditure reports.

G11. Docket No. 13-1543

Advisory opinion request regarding the application of La. R.S. 18:1505.2K following the U.S. Supreme Court Decision in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission.

G12. Docket No. 13-1564

Request that the Board waive the \$1,500 late assessed against Hamida Labi for her failure to timely file a lobbying registration report.

G13. Docket No. 13-1578

An appearance in connection with a request the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Larry Spencer, a candidate for Justice of the Peace, East Baton Rouge Parish in the October 19, 2013 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

G14. Docket No. 13-1579

An appearance in connection with a request the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Joel Boe, a candidate for Councilman, Metro District 9, East Baton Rouge Parish in the November 6, 2012 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 25 days late.

G15. Docket No. 13-1580

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Coastal Impac whose July 2013 Monthly campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 74 days late.

G16. <u>Docket No. 13-1583</u>

An appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Don Carmardelle, Jr., a candidate for Councilman, District 1, Jefferson Parish in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 15 days late

G17. Docket No. 13-1584

An appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against G. "Butch" Bourgeois, a candidate for Alderman, Ward 3, City of Jeanerette, Iberia Parish in the October 19, 2013 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

G18. Docket No. 13-1585

An appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$1,100 and \$100 campaign finance late fees assessed against Nanak Rai, a candidate for Judge, Traffic Court, Division D, Orleans Parish in the October 19, 2013 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 11 days and 1 day late.

G19. Docket No. 13-1591

Waiver request submitted by John Gordon Sorey, a Richland Parish Constable, regarding a \$1100 late fee assessed for filing his 2012 tier 2 annual pfd 11 days late.

G20. Docket No. 13-1696

Untimely waiver request submitted by Dadrius Lanus, an unsuccessful candidate for State Representative of District 63, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 tier 2 candidate pfd 887 days late.

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

G21. Docket No. 12-1714

Consent opinion regarding the Ward Five Fire Protection District in Turkey Creek employing Evon Weatherford, the wife of board member Carrol Weatherford as a bookkeeper.

G22. Docket No. 12-2155

Consent opinion regarding Andrea Benjamin, a Louisiana Workforce Commission

employee, working as a part-time instructor at the University of Phoenix, at a time when the University of Phoenix had an agreement with the Louisiana Workforce Commission to provide training to its employees.

G23. Docket No. 13-296

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Ethics Code applies to the members of the St. Tammany Parish Republican Executive Committee.

G24. Docket No. 13-1322

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Lake City Trucking, a company owned by James G. Gobert, may provide services to an entity that has a contract with his agency, the Chennault International Airpark Authority.

G25. Docket No. 13-1476

Advisory opinion regarding whether Christy Bourgeois, an employee of the Department of Children and Family Services, may accept a door prize she won while attending a conference for the Retired State Employees Association (RSEA).

G26. Docket No. 13-1560

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Julia Thomas may provide consulting services to Juvo Products, LLC, while she is employed by Slidell Memorial Hospital.

G27. Docket No. 13-1561

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Chairman of the Lafourche Parish Recreation District No. 2 may enter into a contract with Lafourche Parish to provide insurance coverage to parish employees.

G28. Docket No. 13-1567

Advisory opinion regarding whether Yvonne Sudderth may contract with the Division of Administration, Office of Risk Management, to provide consulting services to the Attorney General while her husband, John Sudderth, serves as an Assistant Attorney General.

G29. Docket No. 13-1569

Advisory opinion request concerning the propriety of the New Orleans Civil Service Commission and the New Orleans Civil Service Department contracting with James Mullaly and Victor Papai, two attorneys who formerly worked for the New Orleans City Attorney's Office.

G30. Docket No. 13-1573

Advisory opinion request regarding whether RCC Flooring, LLC may continue to provide carpeting and flooring services for the University of New Orleans where the Director of Recreation and Intramural Sports, Margaret Royerre and her husband, Albert Royerre own the flooring business.

G31. Docket No. 13-1680

Advisory opinion request from Kenneth Guidry regarding whether he is prohibited from serving as the District #2 Councilman for Rayne, Louisiana while his son is employed by the Rayne Police Department.

G32. Docket No. 13-1683

Advisory opinion regarding Benjamin Boudreaux leasing his property to JESCO Environmental & Geotechnical Services, Inc. ("JESCO") while he is employed with the La Department of Transportation and Development ("DOTD") and while

JESCO holds two Environmental contracts with DOTD.

G33. Docket No. 13-1685

Advisory opinion request from Rich Dupree regarding whether he may work parttime and receive compensation from Louisiana College while he is employed with the City of Pineville.

G34. Docket No. 13-1686

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Director of Research for the Feist Weiller Cancer Center at LSU Health Center in Shreveport, John Powell, may accept an honorarium as a member of the Global Conference Planning Committee for the Association of Clinical Research Professionals.

G35. Docket No. 13-1690

Advisory opinion request from Mayor Rick Ramsey of Walker regarding whether the city may contract with Lard Oil while the City Purchasing Agent, Claude Ezell, has a son employed by Lard Oil.

Disclosure Reports

G36. Docket No. 13-1385

PFD Answer submitted by Michael Melder, a former member of the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Elizabeth.

G37. Docket No. 13-1663

Notice of disclosures reports filed with the Board during the month of October 2013.

G38. Docket No. 13-1724

Notice of disclosures filed with the Board during the month of November 2013.

Regular Business

G39. Docket No. MINUTES

December 2013 Board Minutes

G40. Docket No. 12-1120

Second request for reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Gerard Frey, a member of the Acadia Soil & Water Conservation District, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 364 days late.

G41. 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.

G42. Docket No. 13-1109

Waiver request submitted by Thomas Arnold, Sr., a former Orleans Parish Assessor, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 386 days late and an untimely waiver request regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 426 days late.

G43. Docket No. 13-1196

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Judy Madison, member of the Shreveport Housing Authority, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 363 days late.

G44. Docket No. 13-1198

Reconsidertion of a waiver request submitted by Ray Mills, former member of the North Webster Parish Industrial District Board, regarding a \$700 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 14 days late.

G45. Docket No. 13-1306

Untimely waiver request submitted by Clovis Mathews, member of the Clinton Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 272 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd

G46. Docket No. 13-1371

Untimely waiver requested submitted by Joseph Jones, member of the Harbor and Terminal District of Morgan City, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 407 days late.

G47. Docket No. 13-1499

Untimely waiver request submitted by Joyce Smith Glapion, a member of the Finance Authority, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 pfd 442 days late.

G48. Docket No. 13-1534

Untimely waiver request submitted by Gaddie W. Baker, a member of the Board of Examiners for Speech/Language Pathology and Auditory, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 335 days late.

G49. Docket No. 13-1541

Advisory opinion request as to whether Andrew Crocker, the son of the Fire Administrator for Tangipahoa Parish Rural Fire District #2, may be employed as a part-time employee of the Independence Volunteer Fire Department.

G50. Docket No. 13-1666

Untimely waiver request submitted by Pamela Metzger, a member of the Louisiana Public Defender Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 298 days late.

G51. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. Chart

January 2014 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 12-2310

Request that the Board reconsider to waive the \$240 and \$360 campaign finance late fees assessed against Brett A. Bonin, a candidate for Orleans Parish School Board, District 3, in the November 6, 2012 election, whose EDE-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 4 and 6 days late.

Docket No. 13-1576

Request that the Board waive the \$400 and \$920 campaign finance late fees assessed against Earnestine Coleman a candidate for Parish Commission Member, District 5, Caddo Parish in the October 19, 2013, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 39 and 23 days late.

Docket No. 13-1577

Request that the Board consider to waive the \$200 campaign finance late fee assessed against Traits of Leadership PAC and Patrick Williams, its chairman,

whose Monthly campaign finance disclosure report was filed 1 day late.

Docket No. 13-1582

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against Thomas H. "Tom" McVea, a candidate for Parish President, West Feliciana Parish in the October 19, 2013 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 13-1586

In connection with a request the Board waive the \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against Christia "Tia" Simmons, a candidate for Alderman at Large, City of Jeanerette, Iberia Parish, in the October 19, 2013 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

Docket No. 13-1587

In connection with a request the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kelli Terrell Temple, a candidate for Judge, City Court, City of East Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish in the May 2, 2009 election, whose 2012 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 244 days late.

G52. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. CHART

January 2014 PFD Waiver Request Chart

Docket No. 13-831

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

Docket No. 13-1270

Waiver request submitted by Dr. Steven Venters, Union Parish Coroner, regarding a \$600 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 6 days late.

Docket No. 13-1283

Waiver request submitted by Joseph Vernon Semien, former Church Point Police Chief, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 candidate pfd 926 days late.

Docket No. 13-1286

Waiver request submitted by Philip Bell, a member of the St. Mary Port and Harbor Terminal District, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 10 days late.

Docket No. 13-1304

Waiver request submitted by Jarrell O. Burch, a member of the DeSoto Parish Police Jury, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 302 days late.

Docket No. 13-1363

Waiver request submitted by Charles R. Adams, II, a member of the Terrebonne Economic Development Authority, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annualf pfd 315 days late.

Docket No. 13-1368

Waiver request submitted by Josephine Barbers Wade, a member of the Shreve

Memorial Library Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 Annual pfd 313 days late.

Docket No. 13-1377

Waiver request submitted by Philip Beard, a member of the Oberlin Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for fling a 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 117 days late.

Docket No. 13-1500

Waiver request submitted by Carlton Campbell, a member of the Abbeville Harbor and Terminal Commission, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 255 days late.

Docket No. 13-1501

Waiver request submitted by Nolan Marshall, III, a member of the New Orleans City Park Commission, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 436 days late.

Docket No. 13-1530

Waiver request submitted by Pamela Denise McAlexander, a member of the Natchitoches Parish School Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 503 days late.

Docket No. 13-1589

Waiver request submitted by Taranza Arvie, a member of the Ville Platte Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 335 days late.

Docket No. 13-1590

Waiver request submitted by Jessie L. Hoffpauir, a former member of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, regarding a \$600 late fee assessed for filing his 2012 Tier 3 annual pfd 12 days late.

Docket No. 13-1664

Waiver request submitted by Peter Dale, former Harahan Police Chief, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd amendment 175 days late.

Docket No. 13-1665

Waiver request submitted by Ezekiel Anderson, Jr., a member of the Bonita Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 tier 3 annual pfd 353 days late and a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 tier 3 annual pfd 353 days late.

G53. WAIVER REQUESTS - SCHOOL BOARD DISCLOSURE

Docket No. 13-1532

Waiver request submitted by Jeffery Churchwell, a member of the Morehouse Parish School Board, regarding \$400 late fee assessed for filing his 2013 School Board Disclosure Statement 8 days late.

Docket No. 13-1588

Waiver request submitted by Ronald Vollmar, member of the Morehouse Parish School Board, regarding a \$400 late fee assessed for filing a 2013-2014 school board disclosure statement 8 days late.

G54. WAIVER REQUESTS - OTHER DISCLOSURE

<u>Docket No. 13-1503</u>
Waiver request submitted by Thomas Shaffer regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his R.S. 42:1114 disclosure affidavit 33 days late.



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Appearances

GS1. Docket No. 14-001

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Mayor for the Town of Hornbeck, Clarence Beebe may be employed with the Louisiana Rural Water Association (LRWA) when the Town is a member of the association.

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

GS2. Docket No. 14-002

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Zachary Smith, an employee of the City of New Orleans, may accept employment with Asset Evaluation Service.

Regular Business

GS3. Docket No. LEGISLA

Consideration of suggestions to propose legislation for consideration during the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.