

## **Louisiana Board of Ethics**

LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room
JULY 17, 2014
1:00 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on July 17, 2014 and continue to July 18, 2014.

## **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 issued against Greg Gachassin and The</u> Cartesian Company.

<u>Discussion in executive session of litigation involving Michael Loupe and Intercoastal</u> Redi-Mix, LLC.

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## **GENERAL**

#### **Appearances**

**G1.** Docket No. 13-1376

Second request for reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Michael J.

Hebert, Jr., a member of the Iberville Parish School Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 423 days late.

## **G2.** Docket No. 13-1666

Reconsideration of an 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.

#### **G3.** Docket No. 13-1696

Untimely reconsideration of a 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.

## **G4.** Docket No. 14-220

Waiver request submitted by Mary Theresa Baker, a former Union Parish Assessor, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 amended Tier 2 annual pfd 523 days late.

## **G5.** Docket No. 14-263

An appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$1,400 campaign finance late fee assessed against D. Nicole Sheppard, a candidate for Judge, Traffic Court, Division D, Orleans Parish in the October 19, 2013 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

#### **G6.** Docket No. 14-411

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$1500 and \$500 late fees assessed against Ronnie E. Duncan for not completing his Lobbyist Registration and Expenditure Report timely.

## **G7.** Docket No. 14-546

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Brannon Decou and Art LeBreton former commissioners of the Lafayette Parish Communication District (LPCD) may be employed by the commission.

## **G8.** Docket No. 14-657

Waiver request submitted by Tina Mayes, a member of the Jefferson Parish Economic Development and Port Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 61 days late; a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 61 days late; a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2012 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 61 days late.

#### **G9.** Docket No. 14-777

Advisory opinion request regarding a Joann Sigur maintaining her employment with the City of Kenner when her husband, Michael Sigur begins his term as a councilman.

#### **G10.** Docket No. 14-778

Appearance in connection with an advisory opinion request as to the propriety of the City of Kenner maintaining Acacia Financial Group, LLC, as its Agent of Record for employee health insurance benefits.

## **G11.** Docket No. 14-799

Request that the Board waive the \$850 late fee assessed against Joseph Bergeron for failure file a lobbying registration report.

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

## **G12.** Docket No. 14-060

Advisory opinion request regarding potential action by the liaison for Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East and a retained law firm.

#### **G13.** Docket No. 14-370

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Shantel Lege, the Region 3 Manager for the Office of Motor Vehicles may supervise her mother, Bernall Lemaire.

## **G14.** Docket No. 14-420

Advisory opinion regarding whether Jill Prokop, a principal for Albany High School within the Livingston Parish School Board jurisdiction, may sell property to the Livingston Parish School Board.

## **G15.** Docket No. 14-425

Advisory opinion request regarding William Reeves Jr. and Kevin Willis, members of the West Allen Parish Water District also serving as members of a church.

## **G16.** Docket No. 14-544

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Terrebonne Child and Youth Services may lease office space from the MacDonell United Methodist Children's Services (MUMCS) at a time when Kevin Champagne is a Board Member of Terrebonne Child Youth Services and serves as the executive director of MUMCS.

## **G17.** Docket No. 14-633

Advisory opinion request regarding Monroe City Councilwoman Betty Blakes participating in a vote to repair the sewer line on a street in which she owns immovable property.

#### **G18.** Docket No. 14-635

Advisory opinion request regarding the Director of Clinical Services for the Northeast Delta Human Services Authority recommending an employee apply for a vacant supervisor 2 position.

## **G19.** Docket No. 14-637

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Jade Lambert, an employee of Bunkie General Hospital may receive a promotion to supervisor while his mother, Katy Juneau is employed by the hospital as an emergency room LPN.

#### **G20.** Docket No. 14-670

Advisory opinion request regarding Port of New Orleans Harbor Police Chief Robert Hecker, working and coordinating paid details within his jurisdiction and working details outside of his jurisdiction.

## **G21.** Docket No. 14-671

Advisory opinion request regarding whether members of the Super-Regional Rail Authority are required to file annual personal financial disclosure statements.

#### **G22.** Docket No. 14-754

Advisory opinion request regarding the Secretary of the Department of Veteran's Affairs, Rodney Alexander, and the post-employment restrictions applicable after his resignation.

## **G23.** Docket No. 14-755

Advisory opinion regarding whether Sal Genusa, Sr., may contract with the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury to provide concessions while his son, Sal Genusa, Jr., serves as the Pointe Coupee Parish Recreation Director.

#### **G24.** Docket No. 14-760

Advisory opinion request regarding Brent Villemarette, the Deputy Secretary of Programs for the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services, contracting with or being employed by state university schools in the Child Welfare Training Academy after his retirement.

## **G25.** Docket No. 14-764

Advisory opinion request regarding Sarintha Stricklin, a member of the Plaquemines Community Care Centers Foundation Board, being appointed to the Metropolitan Human Services District Board.

## **G26.** Docket No. 14-767

Advisory opinion request regarding Kerry Laster, a Louisiana Department of Education employee, and her eligibility to run for a position on the Caddo Parish School Board.

## **G27.** Docket No. 14-769

Advisory opinion request by Greg Varnado, President of Tangipahoa Parish Rural Fire District 2, regarding whether Chief Robert Morel, Assistant Chief Justin Morel, and Cindy Morel may be employed by Loranger Volunteer Fire Department.

## **G28.** Docket No. 14-776

Advisory opinion regarding the application of the post-employment restrictions to Regina Stone, a former employee of the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources and determining whether she is an agency head for purposes of the post-employment restrictions.

#### **G29.** Docket No. 14-790

Advisory opinion request regarding Mary Trosclair contracting to provide additional services to Tulane Medical Center while she is employed by Charity School of Nursing.

## **Regular Business**

## **G30.** Docket No. MINUTES

June 2014 Board Minutes

#### **G31.** Docket No. 11-837

Consent opinion regarding Tim Thiebaud, a former employee of the Harvey Volunteer Fire Company No. 2, violating certain provisions of the Code of Ethics by entering into contracts with the fire department while employed with the fire department.

#### **G32.** Docket No. 13-156

Consent opinions regarding Jaime Boudreaux and Joe Dupont, members of the Cameron Parish Library Board, participating in the vote to award raises to immediate family members employed with the Library Board.

## **G33.** Docket No. 14-416

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Dominic Cali an employee of the

Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development may provide private consulting work to other state agencies.

## G34. Docket No. CFguide

Reconsideration of current campaign finance waiver guidelines.

## G35. Docket No. LEGISLA

Consideration of legislation enacted during the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.

## **G36. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**

## Docket No. chart

July 2014 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

## Docket No. 14-643

Request that the Board waive the \$80 campaign finance late fee assessed against June T. Dupuy, a candidate for Council Member, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 10-G Report was filed 2 days late.

#### Docket No. 14-644

Request that the Board waive the \$240, \$1,000, \$1,000 and \$1,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Kristie Fraught, a candidate for Council Member, District D, City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 2013 Annual, 30-P, 10-P and EDE-P Reports were filed 70, 54, 40 and 6 days late.

## Docket No. 14-684

Request that the Board waive the \$500 campaign finance late fee assessed against John C. "Sonny" Dumas, a candidate for Mayor, City of Winnsboro, Franklin Parish in the April 5, 2014 election, whose Special Report was filed 33 days late.

## Docket No. 14-685

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Arthur Champ Jr., an unsuccessful candidate for Councilman, District 5, City of St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish in the April 5, 2014 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

#### Docket No. 14-791

Request that the Board waive the \$1,100 campaign finance late fee assessed against Richard Perque, a candidate for Judge, Civil District Court, Orleans Parish, in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 180-P Report was filed 11 days late.

#### Docket No. 14-792

A request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Brad Rummel, a candidate for Council Member at Large, City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 2013 Annual Report was filed 83 days late.

#### Docket No. 14-793

Request that the Board waive or reduce the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against John Vance, a candidate for Council Member, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 10-G Report was filed 7 days late.

#### Docket No. 14-794

Request that the Board waive the \$100 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lloyd J. Medley Jr., a candidate for Judge, Civil District Court, Orleans Parish, in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 180-P Report was filed 1 day late.

#### Docket No. 14-795

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Keith Sehon, a candidate for Council Member, District E, City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 2013 Annual Report was filed 72 days late.

## Docket No. 14-796

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Albert F. Majeau, Jr., a candidate for Chief of Police, City of Harahan, Jefferson Parish, in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 2013 Annual Report was filed 76 days late.

## Docket No. 14-797

Request that the Board waive the \$120 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lionel J. Hicks, a candidate for Council Member at Large, City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 10-G Report was filed 3 days late.

## Docket No. 14-798

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kenneth "Toby" Wetzel, a candidate for Chief of Police, Town of Arnaudville, St. Landry and St. Martin Parishes, in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 10-P Report was filed 33 days late.

## G37. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

#### Docket No. 14-800

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Allison Rovira for her failure file a supplemental registration report.

## G38. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

#### Docket No. CHART

July 2014 Personal Financial Disclosure Waiver Chart.

#### Docket No. 13-1300

Waiver request submitted by Francis Naozi Nezianya, a member of the Zachary City Council (East Baton Rouge Parish), regarding a \$1,500 late fee for filing his amended 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 15 days late.

## Docket No. 14-369

Waiver request submitted by Katherine Pickering, a member of the Beauregard Parish Tourist Commission, regarding a \$600 late fee assessed for filing her 2012 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 12 days late.

## Docket No. 14-654

Waiver request submitted by Clay Maglone, Jr., a Constable for East Feliciana Parish, District 1, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing a 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 280 days late.

#### Docket No. 14-688

Waiver request submitted by Esdron Brown, Port Allen Police Chief (West Baton Rouge Parish), regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing his 2012 amended Tier 2 pfd 1 day late.

#### Docket No. 14-689

Waiver request submitted by Kevin Colligan, a member of the Cankton Board of Aldermen (St. Landry Parish), regarding a \$200 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 4 days late.

## Docket No. 14-690

Waiver request submitted by Nakia Hooks, a member of the Kenilworth Improvement District (Orleans Parish), regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended Tier 2.1 annual pfd 158 days late.

#### Docket No. 14-691

Waiver request submitted by Edward Smith, a member of the St. Tammany Fire District #7, regarding a \$950 late fee assessed for filing his 2012 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 19 days late.

## Docket No. 14-692

Waiver request submitted by Michael Whitehead, a Constable for District 2 in Beauregard Parish, regarding a \$600 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2012 Tier 2 annual pfd 6 days late.

## **G39. WAIVER REQUESTS - UNTIMELY**

#### Docket No. 13-1308

Untimely waiver request submitted by Ronald Goff, a former member of the Winnfield City Council and former Mayor of the City of Winnfield, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 candidate pfd 196 days late and a timley waiver request regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 512 days late.

## **G40. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS**

#### Docket No. 12-1373

Request that the Board reconsider to waive the \$809 campaign finance late fee assessed against Michael A. Ragusa, a candidate for Mayor of the Town of Independence, Tangipahoa Parish, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

## Docket No. 13-980

Request that the Board reconsider to 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. 13-1102

Untimely request for reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Dorothy Spencer, a member of the Pleasant Hill Board of Aldermen (Sabine Parish), regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 360 days late; and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2011 Tier 3 candidate pfd 149 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1797

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Linda Boulden, a member of the Oberlin Board of Aldermen, Allen Parish, regarding a \$800 late fee assessed for filing her 2012 Tier 3 annual pfd 16 days late.

## Docket No. 14-107

Reconsideration of an untimely waiver request submitted by Barbara A. Moore, a member of the Hall Summit Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 448 days late (timely) and regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 232 days late (untimely).

## Docket No. 14-264

Request that the Board reconsider to waive the \$480 and \$1,680 campaign finance late fees assessed against Michael Ned, a candidate for Judge, 14th JDC, Calcasieu Parish in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 10-P Report was filed 8 days late and 30-P Report was filed 28 days late.