

Louisiana Board of Ethics

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JUNE 14, 2012
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617 North 3rd Street
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Note: Meetings begin on June 14, 2012 and continue to June 15, 2012.

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. 06-069

Appearance in connection with a consideration of a Board Order ordering the payment of a late fee totaling \$600 assessed against LaToya Cantrell, a candidate for Orleans Parish School Board, in the September 18, 2004 election who failed to timely file a Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report due February 15, 2005.

G2. Docket No. 11-1589

Appearance in connection with a request for reconsideration that the Board waive the \$1,400 late fee assessed against LA Propane Gas Association PAC, a political committee whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

G3. <u>Docket No. 11-1924</u>

Appearance in connection with a request for reconsideration that the Board waive the \$1,380 and \$360 campaign finance late fees assessed against Vincent Alexander, a candidate for State Representative, 96th District, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 23 and 6 days late.

G4. Docket No. 12-434

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Zaine "The Queen" Kasem, a candidate for State Senate, District 2 in the October 22, 2011 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

G5. Docket No. 12-541

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$1,260 and \$60 campaign finance late fees assessed against Herman Ray Love, a candidate for Sheriff of Sabine Parish, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 21 and 1 day(s) late.

G6. Docket No. 12-708

Appearance in connection with a waiver request submitted by Eddie Price regarding a \$2,500 late fee for filing his 2008 Tier 2 annual pfd 601 days late.

G7. Docket No. 12-736

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$1,000 and \$400 campaign finance late fees assessed against Ernest A. Burguieres, III, a candidate for St. Tammany Parish Council, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 33 and 13 days late.

G8. Docket No. 12-737

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$900 and \$1,260 campaign finance late fees assessed against Curtis "Curt" Hodge, a candidate for Sheriff of Washington Parish, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 15 and 21 days late.

G9. Docket No. 12-760

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$900 campaign finance late fee assessed against Dale Bayard, a candidate for BESE, District 7 in the October 22, 2011 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

G10. Docket No. 12-763

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$600 and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against Hillery G. Johnson, a candidate for State Representative, 63rd District in the October 22, 2011 election, whose EDEP and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 31 and 23 days late.

G11. Docket No. 12-856

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against Brandon T. Mellieon, a candidate for

Iberville Parish Council, District 7 in the October 22, 2011 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

G12. Docket No. 07-456

Consideration of a consent opinion involving Mayor Bobby Higginbotham and US 65 South Partnership alleging that Mayor Higginbotham entering into transactions with the Town.

G13. Docket No. 12-462

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Village Council of Turkey Creek can amend its Occupational License Tax.

G14. Docket No. 12-584

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Friends of the Cabildo and the Louisiana State Museum Foundation may donate funds to the Louisiana State Museum to supplement the salary of the director of the Louisiana State Museum.

G15. Docket No. 12-657

Advisory opinion regarding whether members of the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board (LSPMB) may participate in the LSPMB trade show booth.

G16. Docket No. 12-660

Advisory opinion regarding whether the brother of a former member of the St Mary Parish Council may provide services for the St. Mary Parish Council.

G17. <u>Docket No. 12-669</u>

Advisory opinion regarding whether East Feliciana Parish District Attorney Samuel D'Aquilla may rent property to Representative Kenny Havard.

G18. Docket No. 12-676

Advisory opinion regarding the propriety of Port Sulphur Ace Hardware, Inc. transacting business with the LeMoine Group while the LeMoine Group has a contract with the Plaquemines Parish Hospital Service District #1 d/b/a Plaquemines Medical Center.

G19. Docket No. 12-680

Advisory opinion regarding whether the Bossier Parish Library Board may use a building that is owned by the mother of a member of the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

G20. Docket No. 12-681

Advisory opinion regarding whether members of the West Baton Rouge Parish Transportation Authority Board of Directors are required to file an annual personal financial disclosure statement.

G21. Docket No. 12-686

Advisory opinion regarding whether Francis Heitmeier may provide compensated services to United Professional Company, LLC (UPC) at a time when his brother serves as a member of the Louisiana Legislature and UPC helps its client pass legislation before the legislature.

G22. Docket No. 12-703

Advisory opinion regarding whether the members of the Louisiana City Marshals and City Constables Association are required to file Tier 2.1 annual personal financial disclosure statements.

G23. Docket No. 12-711

Advisory opinion regarding the significant other of the Mayor of Bogalusa, Charles Mizell, submitting a bid for property owned by Bogalusa.

Regular Business

G24. Docket No. MINUTES

May 2012 Board Minutes

G25. <u>Docket No. 11-1086</u>

Attorney General Opinion regarding the Board of Ethics' authority to enter into consent opinions.

G26. Docket No. 12-028

Reconsideration of waiver submitted by Tommy Nelson regarding a \$1,300 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 26 days late.

G27. Docket No. 12-079

Reconsideration of a request that the Board waive the \$840 campaign finance late fee assessed against Chad A. Clark, a candidate for Sheriff of St. Bernard Parish, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

G28. Docket No. 12-136

Reconsideration of waiver request submitted by Jan Scott Richard regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2 candidate personal financial disclosure statement 183 days late.

G29. Docket No. 12-149

Advisory opinion regarding whether Kira-Orange Jones may continue to be the Executive Director for Teach for America-Greater New Orleans while she serves as a member of the BESE Board.

G30. Docket No. 12-404

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Rodney Bedgood regarding \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 110 days late.

G31. Docket No. 12-571

Advisory opinion regarding whether a member of the Ascension Parish Council, Bryan Melancon, may accept an IPad, that he won at a seminar that he attended.

G32. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. Chart

June 2012 CFDA Waiver Request Chart

Docket No. 12-380

Additional information regarding the request that the Board waive the \$700 campaign finance late fee assessed against Eugene Green, a candidate for Orleans Parish Councilman at Large, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose 90-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 12-550

Request that the Board waive the \$720, \$60, and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against Ronnie L. Traylor, a candidate for State Representative, District 16, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-P, EDE-P, and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 12, 1, and 14 day(s) late.

Docket No. 12-719

Request that the Board waive the \$100 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lee P. Barrios, a candidate for BESE, District 1, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 1 day late.

Docket No. 12-720

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Theresa-Marie Ellender, a candidate for State Representative, District 53, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

Docket No. 12-722

Request that the Board waive the \$720 campaign finance late fee assessed against Barry Elkins, a candidate for State Representative, District 64, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

Docket No. 12-723

Request that the Board waive the \$800 campaign finance late fee assessed against Gary Landrieu, a candidate for Orleans City Council in the March 24, 2012 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 12-724

Request that the Board waive the \$300 campaign finance late fee assessed against Gary Landrieu, a candidate for Orleans City Council in the March 24, 2012 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 3 days late.

Docket No. 12-725

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Euris A. DuBois, a candidate for Chief of Police of the Town of Grand Isle, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

Docket No. 12-726

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Richard E. Edwards, Jr., whose Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

Docket No. 12-728

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lee Posey, a candidate for Mayor of the City of Natchitoches, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 12-729

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lynda G. Banta, a candidate for Plaquemines Parish Council, District 8, in the September 30, 2006 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 12-730

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Robert N. Amacker, Jr., a candidate for Mayor of the Town of Lake Providence, in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 13 days late.

Docket No. 12-731

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fees assessed against Melinda H. Bernard, a candidate for St. Charles Parish School Board, in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 12-732

Request that the Board waive the \$240 late fee assessed against Marvin Dearman, a candidate for Alderman for the City of West Monroe, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

Docket No. 12-733

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against Shelton Dartez, a candidate for Chief of Police for the City of Opelousas, in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 12-734

Request that the Board waive the \$800 campaign finance late fee assessed against Paul J. Carmouche, whose Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 12-738

Request that the Board waive the \$320 and \$40 campaign finance late fees assessed against Ray Lauga, Jr., a candidate for St. Bernard Parish Council, District A, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose EDE-P and EDE-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 8 and 1 day(s) late.

Docket No. 12-739

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against Diana Dysart, a candidate for St. Bernard Parish School Board, in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 12-740

Request that the Board waive the \$1,920 campaign finance late fee assessed against Tiffany L. Foxworth, a candidate for State Representative, District 101, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 32 days late.

Docket No. 12-741

Request that the Board waive the \$420 campaign finance late fee assessed against Michael L. Jackson, a candidate for State Senate, District 14, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 12-742

Request that the Board waive the \$640 and \$40 campaign finance late fees

assessed against Delos Blackwell, a candidate for Livingston Parish Council, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Special and EDE-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 16 and 1 day(s) late.

Docket No. 12-743

Request that the Board waive the \$320 campaign finance late fee assessed against Marvin Blake, Jr., a candidate for Mayor of the City of Natchitoches, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 12-744

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Laura O'Halloran, a candidate for State Representative, District 81, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 15 days late.

Docket No. 12-745

Request that the Board waive the \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Michael E. Robertson, a candidate for Mayor of the City of Bunkie in the May 27, 2010 election, whose Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

Docket No. 12-746

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Mike Darnell, a candidate for State Senate, District 2 in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

Docket No. 12-747

Request that the Board waive the \$600 and \$1,680 campaign finance late fees assessed against Charmaine L. Marchand, a candidate for State Representative, District 99 in the October 20, 2007 election, whose Supplemental and Annual campaign finance disclosure reports were each filed 28 days late.

Docket No. 12-748

Request that the Board waive the \$780 campaign finance late fee assessed against O'Neal Bosley, a candidate for Iberville Parish President in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 13 days late.

Docket No. 12-749

Request that the Board waive the \$300 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ernest Baylor, Jr., a candidate for State Representative, District 3, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late.

Docket No. 12-750

Request that the Board waive the \$500, \$180, and \$120 campaign finance late fee assessed against Craig James Johnston, a candidate for Harahan City Council in the March 24, 2012 election, whose three (3) Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14, 12, and 3 days late.

Docket No. 12-751

Request that the Board waive the \$300 campaign finance late fee assessed against Victoria Goldstein, a candidate for Jefferson Parish School Board, District

1 in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late.

Docket No. 12-752

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Brett K. Duncan, a candidate for Tangipahoa School Board, District E in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 12-753

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Louis M. Ackal, a candidate for Sheriff of Iberia Parish in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed each filed 138 days late.

Docket No. 12-754

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Louis M. Ackal, a candidate for Sheriff of Iberia Parish in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 40 days late.

Docket No. 12-755

Request that the Board waive the \$540 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ricky L. Moses, a candidate for Sheriff of Beauregard Parish, District 10 in the October 20, 2007 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 12-756

Request that the Board waive the \$960 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ronnie Hughes, a candidate for Ascension Parish President in the October 4, 2003 election, whose Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 16 days late.

Docket No. 12-757

Request that the Board waive the \$160 and \$480 campaign finance late fees assessed against Michael A. Ragusa, a candidate for Mayor of the Town of Independence in the March 24, 2012 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure report were filed 4 and 12 days late.

Docket No. 12-758

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jason Crockett, a candidate for Morehouse Police Juror, District 5 in the October 22, 2011 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 12-761

Request that the Board waive the \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against Birdex Copeland, a candidate for City of Grambling Council in the October 2, 2010 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

Docket No. 12-762

Request that the Board waive the \$420 campaign finance late fee assessed against Allen Guillory, a candidate for State Representative, 40th District in the August 1, 2009 election, whose Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report

was filed 7 days late.

G33. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

Docket No. CHART

June 2012 Lobbying Waiver Request Chart.

Docket No. 12-946

Request that the Board waive the \$250 and \$1,500 late fee assessed against Charles McMains for failure to timely file two 2012 Lobbyist Supplemental Registrations.

Docket No. 12-947

Request that the Board waive the \$250 and \$1,500 late fee assessed against Wanda Freedman for failure to timely file two 2012 Lobbyist Supplemental Registrations.

<u>Docket No. 12-948</u>

Request that the Board waive the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Kimberly Robinson for failure to timely file her 2012 Lobbyist Supplemental Registration.

Docket No. 12-949

Request that the Board waive the \$500 late fee assessed against Richard Jenkins for failure to timely a lobbyist expenditure report..

G34. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. waiver

June 2012 PFD Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 11-1824

Waiver request submitted by Brent Callais regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 candidate pfd

Docket No. 12-137

Waiver request submitted by Troy Cloutier regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 264 days late.

Docket No. 12-161

Waiver request submitted by Heidi Ann Naquin regarding \$1,100 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 22 days late.

Docket No. 12-426

Waiver request submitted by Arnold Smith regarding \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 318 days late.

Docket No. 12-499

Waiver request submitted by Vincent Borello, Jr. regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 42 days late.

Docket No. 12-503

Waiver request submitted by Thomas Atkinson, Jr. regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2.1 pfd 393 days late.

Docket No. 12-524

Waiver request submitted by Garnell Young regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 candidate pfd 460 days late.

Docket No. 12-525

Waiver request submitted by Jeffery Rose regarding a \$700 late fee for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 14 days late.

Docket No. 12-526

Waiver request submitted by Michael Jackson regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate pfd 38 days late.

Docket No. 12-528

Waiver request submitted by Louis Thomas, Jr. regarding a \$1,450 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 29 days late.



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<u>Discussion in executive session of the litigation in the 19th JDC concerning charges issued against Robert Marionneaux.</u>

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of litigation involving Martha Andrus, the former Mayor of the City of Grambling.</u>

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GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL

Appearances

GS1. Docket No. 12-1042

Advisory opinion regarding whether Demetrius Sumner, a former student at Southern University and former student member of the Southern University Board of Supervisors, may accept the position of Special Assistant to the Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

GS2. Docket No. 12-388

Declaratory opinion regarding whether Sheriff Royce Toney of Ouachita Parish may use his campaign funds to pay legal fees that he incurred in connection with the defense of charges contained in a federal indictment.

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

GS3. Docket No. 12-950

Notice of disclosure statements filed with the Board during May 2012.

GS4. Docket No. 12-1043

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the father of Brett Stassi, sheriffelect for Iberville Parish, can continue to write bail bonds for persons arrested by the Iberville Parish Sheriff's Office.

Regular Business

GS5. Docket No. LEGISLA

Legislation passed during the 2012 Regular Session that affects the laws administered by the Board of Ethics.