

Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building First Floor - LaBelle Room JUNE 20, 2013 1:00 PM 617 North 3rd Street Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on June 20, 2013 and continue to June 21, 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 Joy and Larry Cochran.

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GENERAL

Public Hearings

G1. Docket No. 13-666

Declaratory opinion regarding whether Senator Dan Morrish, a member of the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation Board of Directors, may resign from the Senate and the Corporation to apply for the Chief Executive Officer's position with the Corporation.

Appearances

G2. Docket No. 12-533

Appearance in connection with a request for reconsideration that the Board waive the \$1,560 and \$360 campaign finance late fees assessed against Earl F. Dauterive, III, a candidate for St. Bernard Council, Western Division in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 26 and 6 days late.

G3. Docket No. 12-2047

Appearance in connection with a request for reconsideration that the Board waive the \$1,000 and \$1,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against John Perry Gallow, a candidate for Chief of Police for the City of Opelousas in the October 2, 2010 election, whose EDE-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 55 and 147 days late.

G4. Docket No. 13-281

Waiver request submitted by Deborah Alexander, a member of the St. Gabriel City Council, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 339 days late; a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 339 days late; and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 94 days late.

G5. Docket No. 13-312

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$400 and \$400 campaign finance late fees assessed against Michael A. Ragusa, a candidate for Mayor of Independence, in the March 24, 2012 election, whose EDE-P and EDE-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 294 and 279 days late.

G6. Docket No. 13-378

Waiver request submitted by Stanley Washington, a member of the Iberville Parish School Board, in response to a demand letter received demanding payment of a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 165 days late.

G7. Docket No. 13-396

Waiver request submitted by Clarence Williams, a candidate for Terrebonne Parish Assessor in the October 22, 2011 election, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate pfd 330 days late.

G8. Docket No. 13-432

Appearance in connection with a request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Claude "Curtis" Hodge, Jr., a candidate for Sheriff of Washington Parish, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 150 days late.

G9. Docket No. 13-577

Waiver request submitted by Ray Trisler, Richland Parish Constable, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 345 days late.

G10. Docket No. 13-590

Appearance in connection with a waiver request submitted by Niki Papazoglakis, candidate for Governor in the 10/22/2011 election, regarding a \$202,000 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 1 candidate pfd 404 days late.

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions

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Items Requiring No Board Action

G11. Docket No. 11-1303

Consent opinion regarding Margie Sharp, wife of Livingston Parish Councilman Ronnie Sharp, having the Livingston Parish Council approve the subdivision of her property into five lots.

G12. Docket No. 13-295

Advisory opinion regarding whether Firmin Construction Corporation may bid on public works projects at a time when the owner, H.P. Firmin, III, serves as a member of the Baton Rouge Construction Board of Appeals and the City of Central Construction Board of Appeals.

G13. Docket No. 13-452

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Wade Delahoussaye, a former member of the Acadia Soil & Water Conservation District, is required to file his 2012 Tier 2.1 annual pfd due to his medical condition.

G14. Docket No. 13-466

Advisory opinion regarding whether a former Jonesboro Police Officer and member of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, Maxie Monroe, may accept a position with the Jackson Parish Correctional Facility.

G15. Docket No. 13-491

Advisory opinion in connection with an advisory opinion request regarding whether Ed Antie may be appointed to the Louisiana Board of Regents while he and his wife own an interest in Central Telephone.

G16. Docket No. 13-494

Advisory opinion request regarding post-employment restrictions that would apply to a former employee of Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH).

G17. Docket No. 13-499

Advisory opinion regarding whether Mr. Michael McKenna may be employed with American Traffic Solutions (ATS) following his employment with the City of New Orleans (City).

G18. Docket No. 13-501

Request for an advisory opinion as to whether Ms. Donna Bertrand, the Acadia Parish Human Resource Director, may be appointed to the Personnel Committee of the Acadia Parish Police Jury.

G19. Docket No. 13-503

Advisory opinion request regarding the appointment of a staff member of the Washington Parish Hospital Service District 1 as a Commissioner to serve on the Board.

G20. Docket No. 13-509

Request for an advisory opinion regarding whether Mr. Kyle Machen may be selected by the Bossier Parish School District as principal while his father, Mr. D.C. Machen, is superintendent of the School District.

G21. Docket No. 13-518

Advisory opinion regarding whether Joseph D'Antoni and D'Antoni's Lawn Care and pressure Washing Service, LLC may become a vendor for the City Parish of Baton Rouge while he is a full-time employee of the Baton Rouge Fire Department.

G22. Docket No. 13-640

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Ryan Friedlander, an employee with the Lafourche Parish assessor's office, may provide accounting and tax services to residents of Lafourche Parish.

G23. Docket No. 13-644

Request for an advisory opinion regarding whether Mr. William Hulin may be promoted to the Iberia Parish Facility Maintenance Supervisor while his wife serves as custodian of New Iberia's Veterans Memorial Building.

G24. Docket No. 13-645

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the post employment restrictions would prohibit Carl Noel Hunt, the former Director of the Office of Human Resources for the Louisiana House of Representatives, from obtaining employment as a lobbyist.

G25. Docket No. 13-646

Advisory opinion request regarding the current or former state employees may provide services to companies that are regulated by DHH.

G26. Docket No. 13-652

Advisory opinion regarding whether Mr. Martin J. Perret may reinstate his sponsorship of his business, Quality Plus Insurance, on a radio program hosted by Mr. James Perot, who is an employee of the Department of Insurance (DOI).

G27. Docket No. 13-654

Advisory opinion regarding whether Angela Bitner may continue to contract with the St. Tammany Gravity Drainage District No. 5 while she is employed with the St. Tammany Parish Government in the Department of Finance.

G28. Docket No. 13-662

Advisory opinion request regarding the appointment of Mr. R.E. "Bob" Miller to the Louisiana Mineral Board.

G29. Docket No. 13-664

Advisory opinion request regarding whether a retail store owned by Teresa Hibbets can conduct business with certain Ouachita Parish schools in which she is employed.

G30. Docket No. 13-679

Advisory opinion request regarding Mr. Justin Peltier's former employment with the Department of Transportation and Development and current employment with Huval and Associates (Huval).

G31. Docket No. 13-680

Advisory opinion request regarding Mr. Joshua Stutes' former employment with the Department of Transportation and Development and current employment with C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC (Fenstermaker).

G32. Docket No. 13-834

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Ken Singleton, a member of the St. Mary Parish Council, may sell land to the Plains Pipeline Company.

Disclosure Reports

G33. Docket No. 11-1538

Charges regarding Ronald Goff's failure to file his 2010 Tier 2 annual personal financial disclosure statement.

G34. Docket No. 12-006

Charges regarding the failure to file a 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd by James Roland.

G35. Docket No. 12-910

Charges regarding the failure to file a 2009 and 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd by Joseph Wall.

G36. Docket No. 12-930

Charges regarding the failure to file a 2009 Tier 3 candidate pfd and a 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd by Renard Southall, a member of the Napoleonville Board of Aldermen.

G37. Docket No. 12-937

Charges regarding the failure to file a 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd by Keith Johnson, a member of the Ringgold Board of Aldermen.

G38. Docket No. 12-954

Charges regarding the failure to file a 2009 and 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd reports by Irvrie Johnson, a member of the Port Allen City Council.

G39. Docket No. 12-958

Charges regarding the failure to file a 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd by Wendy Benedetto, a member of the St. Charles Parish Council.

Regular Business

G40. Docket No. MINUTES May 2013 Board Minutes

G41. Docket No. 13-416

Untimely waiver request submitted by James Scarborough, candidate for Natchitoches City Mayor in the March 24, 2012 election, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate pfd 190 days late.

G42. Docket No. 13-506

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the spouse of the CEO for the Madison Parish Service District Hospital, Scott Barrilleaux, may be employed as a medical coder for the hospital.

G43. Docket No. 13-663

Advisory opinion request regarding whether a newly appointed member of the Greater Krotz Springs Port Commission may make a gift of a ball point pen to each of the other members on the Commission.

G44. Docket No. 13-734

Request for an advisory opinion regarding whether the employer of Lafourche Parish Fire District No. 1 Assistant Fire Chief, Aaron Griffin, may bid on and be awarded a contract with the fire district.

G45. Docket No. LEGISLA

Bills introduced for the 2013 Regular Legislative Session that affect the laws

under the jurisdiction of the Board of Ethics.

G46. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. Chart

June 2013 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 13-293

Request that the Board waive the \$720 campaign finance late fee assessed against Shelley G. Hebert, a candidate for Iberia City Council, in the November 6, 2012 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 18 days late.

Docket No. 13-430

Request that the Board waive the \$480 (reduced to \$100), \$540, and \$180 campaign finance late fees assessed against Walter A. Bennetti, a candidate for Jefferson Parish Council, in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 30-P, EDE-P, and Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 8, 9, and 3 days late.

Docket No. 13-436

Request that the Board waive a \$700 late fee assessed against Catherine Hilton, a candidate for Orleans Parish Judge, Juvenile Court, in the April 6, 2013 election, whose 10-P report campaign finance report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 13-439

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000, \$1,000, and \$440 campaign finance late fees assessed against Marsha Lincoln-Lejeune, a candidate for Plaquemines Parish Council, in the October 2, 2010 election, whose 10-P, 40-G, and Special campaign finance disclosure reports was filed 26, 57, and 11 days late.

Docket No. 13-853

Request that the Board waive a \$840 late fee that was assessed against Edwin Shorty, a candidate for Orleans Parish City Court Constable in the November 6, 2012 election whose 10-G report was filed 14 days late.

G47. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. waiver

June 2013 PFD Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 13-258

Waiver request submitted by Rose McCulloch, a member of the Shreveport City Council, regarding a \$2,200 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 22 days late.

Docket No. 13-405

Waiver request submitted by Dorothy Flowers Jones, member of the East Hodge Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 242 days late.

Docket No. 13-408

Waiver request submitted by James Phillips, Walker Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 386 days late.

Docket No. 13-412

Waiver request submitted by Kermit Brown, St. Helena Parish Constable,

regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 305 days late.

Docket No. 13-413

Waiver request submitted by Somer Lance, a member of the Ferriday Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 50 days late and a \$50 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 1 day late.

Docket No. 13-415

Waiver request submitted by Lloyd Kirtland, member of the Grant Parish Police Jury, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 308 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 308 days late.

Docket No. 13-440

Waiver request submitted by John Moore, a Red River Parish Constable, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 327 days late.

Docket No. 13-441

Waiver request submitted by Michael Theriot, a member of the Henderson Town Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 390 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 55 days late.

Docket No. 13-446

Waiver request submitted by Gregory Godeaux, unsuccessful candidate for St. Martin Parish Constable, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate pfd 357 days late.

Docket No. 13-569

Waiver request submitted by Earl Taylor, District Attorney for 27th JDC, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing an amended 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 5 days late.

Docket No. 13-570

Waiver request submitted by W.T. Winfield, member of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, regarding a \$1,300 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 2 candidate pfd 13 days late and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 603 days late.

Docket No. 13-571

Waiver request submitted by James Dupree, Jr., candidate for the Ferriday Town Board of Aldermen in the November 6, 2012 election, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 candidate pfd 102 days late.

Docket No. 13-573

Waiver request submitted by Louis Marcantel, Police Chief for the Village of Turkey Creek, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 334 days late.

Docket No. 13-574

Waiver request submitted by Brandi Berkley, a member of the Louisiana Commission for the Deaf, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for fiing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 244 days late and a \$100 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 2 days late.

Docket No. 13-575

Waiver request submitted by Victor Delcambre, New Iberia city Marshal, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 216 days late.

Docket No. 13-576

Waiver request submitted by Dwain Lebouef, Lafourche Parish Constable, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 63 days late.

Docket No. 13-579

Waiver request submitted by Lasonya Pearson, member of the Montgomery Town Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 tier 3 annual pfd 350 days late.

Docket No. 13-580

Waiver request submitted by Lionel Melancon, Jr., a member of the Sorrento Town Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 tier 3 annual pfd 50 days late.

Docket No. 13-581

Waiver request submitted by Julius Prokop, a member of the Livingston parish Convention & Visitors Bureau, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 352 days late.

Docket No. 13-582

Waiver request submitted by Brenda Jeans, a member of the Merryville Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 441 days late.

Docket No. 13-584

Waiver request submitted by David Wade, an East Baton Rouge Parish Constable, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 159 days late.

Docket No. 13-585

Waiver request submitted by Kevin Ambeau, St. Gabriel Police Chief, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 288 days late and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate pfd (10/22/2011 election) 306 days late.

Docket No. 13-586

Waiver request submitted by David Freeman, Plaquemines Parish Constable, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 586 days late.

Docket No. 13-587

Waiver request submitted by Douglas Day, candidate for Senate District 38 in the October 22, 2011 election, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate pfd 385 days late.

Docket No. 13-588

Waiver request submitted on behalf of Leola Keys, member of the Richwood Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 245 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 245 days late.

Docket No. 13-589

Waiver request submitted by Comerdis Phillips, Mayor of Cotton Valley, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 327 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 327 days late.

Docket No. 13-591

Waiver request submitted by Parnell Baham, member of the Independence Town Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 196 days late, a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 196 days late, and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 candidate pfd (3/24/12 election) 196 days late.

Docket No. 13-668

Waiver request submitted by Edward Schmidt, Jr., a St. Tammany Parish Constable, regarding a \$2,300 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2008 Tier 2 annual pfd 23 days late.

G48. WAIVER REQUESTS - SCHOOL BOARD DISCLOSURE

Docket No. 13-370

Untimely waiver request submitted by Jerry Gathings, a member of the West Carroll School Board, regarding a \$200 late fee assessed for filing his 2010-2011 school board disclosure statement untimely.



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GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

GS1. Docket No. 10-496

Consent opinion concerning Sylvia Morrow, a member of the Natchitoches City Council, soliciting money from employees of the City and from persons that have or are seeking to have a contractual, financial or other business relationship with the City.

GS2. Docket No. 13-718

Advisory opinion request regarding post-employment restrictions that would apply to Rachel Broussard, a current employee of the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) that is considering leaving DHH and accepting a position with Louisiana Healthcare Connection.

GS3. <u>Docket No. 13-863</u>

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Devon Kennedy may provide compensated services to Pyke's Driving Academy while he is employed with Slidell Fire District No.1.

Disclosure Reports

GS4. Docket No. 12-1062

Charges regarding the failure to file a 2010 Tier 3 candidate pfd by Keith Miller, a candidate for St. John the Baptist Parish Council.

GS5. <u>Docket No. 13-869</u>

Notice of disclosures filed with the Board during May 2013.

Regular Business

GS6. Docket No. RULE

Memorandum regarding an increase to the amount of food or drink which can be purchased for a public servant at an event.