

# Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room
JUNE 20, 2019
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on June 20, 2019 and continue to June 21, 2019.

### **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 pending charges against Herman Taitt in Docket</u> No. 2013-1059.

<u>Discussion in executive session regarding charges in Docket No. 2014-1412 against</u> Harry Pastuszek, Jr.

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Mary Schultheis in Docket No. 2015-984.</u>

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of pending charges against Thomas Bell in Docket</u> No. 2016-017.

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of charges against Jeremy Johnson in Docket No.</u> 2016-259.

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Bryan Jackson in Docket No. 2016-667.</u>

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Jarad Charpentier in Docket No. 2016-1177.</u>

<u>Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges pending against Joseph</u> Buttross, Gerald Hebert, and GraceHebert Architects in Docket No. 2017-148.

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of charges filed against Daniel Eitmann in Docket No. 2017-652.</u>

<u>Discussion in Executive Session of pending charges against Joseph and Charlotte</u> <u>Prothro, Charles and William Prothro, Paige O'Quinn, and Rachel Broome in Docket</u> No. 2018-1406.

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LaSalle Building
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JUNE 21, 2019
9:00 AM
617 North 3rd Street
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# **GENERAL**

# **Appearances**

# **G1.** Docket No. 18-1332

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kenneth P. Garrett, Sr., a candidate for State Representative / 102nd Representative District in the October 24, 2015 election, who amended the 2017 supplemental campaign finance report to accurately disclose the required information after the late fee was assessed.

## **G2.** Docket No. 19-077

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$200 and \$480 campaign finance late fees assessed against Lauren Field, a candidate for Parish President, West Feliciana Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 8 and 8 days late, respectively.

# **G3.** Docket No. 19-266

Reconsideration of an advisory opinion requested by M. David Freneaux, which opined that as a member of the Central City Council, he would be prohibited from entering into a settlement with the City of Central relative to a lawsuit he had filed prior to becoming a councilman.

# **G4.** Docket No. 19-279

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$760 campaign finance late fee assessed against Corey R. Arbourgh, a candidate for Member of Parish Council, District 3, Plaquemines Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 19 days late.

## **G5.** Docket No. 19-283

Advisory opinion request as to whether Representative Steve Pugh may be employed by the Louisiana House of Representatives after his term of office as a member of the Louisiana House of Representatives ends.

## **G6.** <u>Docket No. 19-447</u>

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Tramelle Howard may continue to receive a thing of economic value for services rendered to City Year while City Year has a contractual, business or financial relationship with the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and at a time when Tramelle Howard serves a member of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board.

## **G7.** Docket No. 19-458

Request to waive the \$150 late fee assessed for the late filing of a December 2018 Expenditure Report and an untimely request for reconsideration of the

Board's decision to suspend all but \$1,000 late fee of a \$1,500 based on future compliance assessed against T. Bradley Keith for the late filing of a Supplemental Registration report.

# **Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions**

# **G8.** Docket No. CHART

Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent June 2019 Agenda.

## **G9.** Docket No. 19-492

Disqualification plan submitted by Mayor Marc McCarty regarding Casey Beach serving as a volunteer part-time patrolman for the Town of Wisner while her husband, Billy Beach, serves as the elected Chief of Police for the Town of Wisner.

## **G10.** Docket No. 19-545

Advisory opinion request regarding the continued employment of James Clarke's daughter with the University of Louisiana at Lafayette if he is appointed to the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System.

### **G11.** Docket No. 19-555

Advisory opinion request regarding post-employment restrictions that would apply to Robert C. Hecker, Sr. as a former employee of Louisiana State University.

# **G12.** Docket No. 19-560

Advisory opinion request regarding the employment of Bruce Coulon's brother with Sequel Electrical while Sequel Electrical transacts business with the City of Bunkie and Bruce Coulon serves as the Mayor of the City of Bunkie.

## **G13.** Docket No. 19-561

Advisory opinion request as to whether Kyle Kennington would be prohibited from serving on the Desoto Parish Police Jury while he is employed as Senior Vice President of Community Bank of Louisiana.

# **G14.** Docket No. 19-565

Advisory Opinion request from Greg Triolo, Radiologic Technologist with the LSU Medical Center - Lallie Kemp in Independence (Tangipahoa Parish).

## **G15.** Docket No. 19-566

Advisory Opinion request from Steven Evans, Chief of Police for the Village of Eros (pop.155) in Jackson Parish (pop. 16,274) as to whether he could provide services as a bondsman.

## **G16.** Docket No. 19-571

Advisory opinion request regarding Richard Allen Robertson's candidacy for member of the East Carroll Parish Police Jury or member of the East Carroll Parish School Board while he is employed with the East Carroll Parish Sheriff's Department.

# **G17.** Docket No. 19-572

Request for approval of a Disqualification Plan submitted by Karl Mann, DeSoto Parish Emergency Medical Service Assistant Administrator, concerning the employment of his wife by DeSoto Parish EMS.

### **G18.** Docket No. 19-573

Advisory Opinion Request from the Franklin Parish Police Jury (pop. 20,767) relative to whether an exception would allow the police jury to award a public

bid contract to a member of the immediate family of a police juror.

## **G19.** Docket No. 19-574

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Kea Sherman may continue to serve on the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission while he campaigns for House District 98.

### **G20.** Docket No. 19-575

Advisory opinion request regarding post-employment restrictions that would apply to Gregory Mattson II as a former staff engineer for the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

# **G21.** Docket No. 19-590

Advisory Opinion request from Sam Territo, former Director of Facility Services at LSU Baton Rouge.

## **G22.** Docket No. 19-591

Advisory Opinion request from the Mayor of Gueydan as to whether the Town of Gueydan can do business with Gueydan Tire Company, a limited liability company owned by the step-daughter of the elected Chief of Police. Gueydan has a population of 1,398.

# **G23.** Docket No. 19-596

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Tammy Rogers, the spouse of St. Mary Parish Councilman Dale Rogers, from being appointed to the St. Mary Parish Tourist Commission by the St. Mary Parish Council.

# **G24.** Docket No. 19-598

Advisory Opinion request regarding the propriety of Darell Wall, Chief of Police for the Village of Mooringsport, working for the village's water and sewer department. (Pop.=793 in Caddo Parish)

## **G25.** Docket No. 19-602

Advisory Opinion request from Alicia Kiremire, an Adjunct Instructor in the College of Engineering & Sciences at Louisiana Tech University, whether her company could provide grant-related services to Louisiana Tech University.

### **G26.** Docket No. 19-620

Advisory Opinion request from Jonathan Gaspard, relative to whether the Avoyelles Parish Airport Authority can enter into a lease with board member A.J. Roy, III for a hangar. Avoyelles Parish has a population of 42,073.

# **Disclosure Reports**

# **G27.** Docket No. 19-320

PFD Answer filed by Judy Placer, member of the Lafayette City/Parish Recreation Advisory Commission.

# **Regular Business**

# G28. Docket No. MINUTES

May 2019 Board Minutes

# G29. Docket No. 11-1442

Consent Order regarding Paulette Bruno, former Principal of Robert Moton Charter School in New Orleans.

# G30. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

### Docket No. chart

June 2019 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

# Docket No. 18-1485

Request that the Board waive the \$540 campaign finance late fee assessed against Eddie J. Boudreaux, Jr., in his capacity as a candidate for Member of School Board, District 2, Jefferson Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

### Docket No. 18-1486

Request that the Board waive the \$520 campaign finance late fee assessed against Nicole Dufrene, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 4, St. Charles Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 13 days late.

# Docket No. 19-194

Request that the Board waive the \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lorraine Wimberly, in her capacity as a candidate for Member of School Board, District 6, Seat A, Ascension Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 6 days late.

# Docket No. 19-282

Request that the Board waive the \$400 and \$360 campaign finance late fees assessed against Fredell Scott Griffin, a candidate for Member of School Board, District I, Rapides Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 11and 9 days late, respectively.

### Docket No. 19-480

Request that the Board waive a \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Arthur Lee, a candidate for Mayor / City of Tallulah, Madison Parish, in the March 24, 2018 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 17 days late.

### Docket No. 19-483

Request that the Board waive \$1,000 and \$400 campaign finance late fees assessed against Donald "Don" Flanigan, a candidate for Member of School Board / District 1, St. Tammany Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 93 and 63 days late, respectively.

## Docket No. 19-540

Request that the Board waive a \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Betty Robinson, a candidate for Member of School Board, District G, Tangipahoa Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

### Docket No. 19-570

Request that the Board waive a \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Louisiana Assessor's Association PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Bobby W. Edmiston, and treasurer, Michelle K. Rodgers, whose 2018 Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

### Docket No. 19-588

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kim Fralick, a candidate for Council Member, City of Central in the April 5, 2014 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

### Docket No. 19-589

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against John A. Keller, a candidate for Council Member III, City of Mandeville, St. Tammany Parish, in the March 5, 2016 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

### Docket No. 19-603

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Richard Wayne "Rick" Foster, a candidate for Coroner for Tangipahoa Parish in the October 24, 2015 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 45 days late.

# G31. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

### Docket No. 19-457

Request to waive the \$450 late fee assessed against Kevin Cunningham for the late filing of the January 2019 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

# Docket No. 19-587

Request to waive the \$350 late fee assessed against Anh Singhania for the late filing of the January 2019 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

# G32. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

### Docket No. waiver

June 2019 PFD Waiver Chart

### Docket No. 18-1374

Waiver request submitted by Claude "Clyde" Wiggins, with the Gramercy Board of Aldermen, St. James, regarding three \$1500 late fees (totaling \$4500) assessed for filing each of his 2014, 2015 and 2016 Tier 3 annual PFDs 385 days late.

### Docket No. 18-1427

Waiver request submitted by Colby Daniels, with the Morehouse Parish School Board, regarding a \$1050 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2016 Tier 3 annual PFD 21 days late.

## Docket No. 18-1466

Waiver request submitted by Esco Leroy Owens, Jr., Constable/Ward 9, Justice of the Peace/Livingston, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2016 Tier 2 annual pfd 257 days late.

### Docket No. 18-1469

Waiver request submitted by Jeri Ann Pilk, former member of the Commission for the Deaf, regarding a \$ 1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2016 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 290 days late.

## Docket No. 18-1526

Waiver request submitted by Jaclyn Suzanne Hotard, St. John the Baptist Council, regarding a \$800 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2016 Tier 2 annual pfd 8 days late.

# G33. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS

# Docket No. 18-1425

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by George Randolph Floyd, with the Used Motor Vehicle Commission, regarding a \$950 late fee assessed for filing 2106 Tier 2.1 annual PFDs 19 days late.

# Docket No. 18-1517

Request to reconsidered the Board suspending all but \$450 of a \$1500 late fee in connection with a waiver request submitted by Mary G. Bel, with the State Board of Massage Therapy, for filing her amended 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 97 days late.

### Docket No. 19-091

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by Robert "Boss" Babers, Jr., Chief of Police, Edgefield, Red River Parish (Pop. 218), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 3 annual pfd 280 days late.

# Docket No. 19-185

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$3,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Friends of Marlin Gusman PAC, a political action committee, and its committee's chairperson, Brian King, related to its participation in the October 14, 2017 election, whose 30-P campaign finance report has not been filed.