

Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building First Floor - Griffon Room MARCH 16, 2017 2:30 PM 617 North 3rd Street Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on March 16, 2017 and continue to March 17, 2017.

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 Carlos Gray in 2013-1655.

Discussion in Executive Session regarding charges issued against Laurie Carroll in Docket No. 2014-1167.

Discussion in Executive Session of charges pending against Glenn LeBlanc in Docket 2015-1040.

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GENERAL

Appearances

G1. Docket No. 16-960

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a waiver request submitted by William Earl Maddox, Constable - Claiborne Parish, 1st JP Court, regarding a \$2,500

late fee assessed for filing his amended 2012 Tier 2 annual PFD 55 days late.

G2. Docket No. 17-156

Advisory Opinion request of Richie Broomfield, Mayor, Village of Dodson (Winn Parish).

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

G3. Docket No. CHART

Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent March 2017 Agenda.

G4. Docket No. 16-1316

Advisory opinion request by Sheila Boudreaux, Lafourche Parish Civil Service Director, regarding whether a Lafourche Parish employee may perform private services for the Lafourche Parish President.

G5. Docket No. 17-075

Advisory opinion request of Melinda Richard, Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Department of Health, regarding her husband, Augustin "Chard" Richard's, service on the La. Health Care Quality Forum Board of Directors.

G6. Docket No. 17-076

Advisory Opinion request of Stephen Nunnery, Director of Administration for the City of Zachary, regarding the possible employment of his daughter by the City's Utility Department.

G7. Docket No. 17-134

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Edward Theriot, as the interim Parish President for Plaquemines Parish, is prohibited from returning to his prior position as Director of Administration, after the newly elected Parish President is sworn into office.

G8. Docket No. 17-137

Advisory opinion request by James Barnes, Lafourche Parish Director of Public Works, regarding whether his step-daughter, Angelle Bourgeois, may be employed as Field Maintenance Clerk (Clerk) within Lafourche Parish Public Works Department.

G9. Docket No. 17-139

Advisory opinion request by Anthony Duplechin, Director of the Capital Area Ground Water Conservation District, regarding whether David Kozan may serve on the Capital Area Ground Water Conservation District (District) Board of Commissioners while Owen & White, Inc., has a contract with the District.

G10. Docket No. 17-178

Advisory opinion request from Kia Price regarding her professional cleaning business, KP3 Dimension Cleaning Service, LLC.

G11. Docket No. 17-179

Advisory opinion request from Scotty Baudoin regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics (Code) would prohibit his company, M and E Consulting, from providing consulting services to the same general and sub-contractors that M and E Consulting will be reviewing their work on private and public projects.

G12. Docket No. 17-180

Advisory opinion request of Mark Piazza, Mayor of Abbeville, regarding the elimination of the Airport Safety Director position.

G13. Docket No. 17-181

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Ethics would prohibit Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) employee Jessica Hargrave from serving as a Graduate Assistant for McNeese State University and wearing an air monitor during her work hours while employed with DEQ.

G14. Docket No. 17-202

Advisory opinion request regarding whether RARR Maintenance, LLC, a company owned by Reginald Jordan, is prohibited from entering into certain contracts with the City of Shreveport, while his wife is employed with the City.

G15. Docket No. 17-204

Advisory opinion request by Kelly P. Tate regarding whether she may serve as a Magistrate for the Town of Mamou while she is employed on a part-time basis as an Assistant District Attorney with the Evangeline Parish District Attorney's Office.

G16. Docket No. 17-205

Advisory opinion request by Charlotte Trosclair, Director of Vermilion Parish Library System, regarding whether the Vermilion Parish Library Board of Control (Library Board) is subject to the financial disclosure requirements of La. R.S. 42:1124.2.1.

Regular Business

- G17. Docket No. MINUTES February 2017 Board Minutes
- **G18.** Docket No. 15-1151

Consent orders regarding violations of La. R.S. 42:1111C(2)(d) and La. R.S. 42:1117 in connection with a contract for services with the Marrero-Estelle Volunteer Fire Company No. 1.

G19. Docket No. 16-1340

Advisory opinion request regarding the propriety of the CEO of the LSU Foundation also holding the position of LSU Vice-President for Institutional Advancement.

G20. Docket No. 17-025

Advisory Opinion request of Keith Green Jr., an Assistant District Attorney for St. John the Baptist Parish, regarding the possibility of contracting with St. John the Baptist Parish.

G21. Docket No. 17-138

Advisory opinion request by Susan LeBlanc, Secretary of the Bayou Blue Fire Protection District, regarding whether Jaclyn Clement may be compensated as a part-time employee of the Bayou Blue Fire Department (Fire Department) while her father, John Culhane, serves as Chairman of the Bayou Blue Fire District (Fire District).

G22. Docket No. 17-219

Advisory opinion request of David Peterson, with the La. Department of Health (LDH), regarding post-employment restrictions following a layoff due to budget cuts.

G23. Docket No. 17-245

Staff memorandum regarding the food and drink limitation contained in La. R.S. 42:1115.1

G24. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Docket No. chart

March 2017 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 16-693

Request that the Board waive the \$600 and the two \$2,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Thomas Johnson, a candidate for St. Bernard Parish Council-at-Large, Eastern Division, in the October 24, 2015 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 19 days late and the 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports have not been filed.

Docket No. 16-919

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ernest D. Wooton, in his capacity as a candidate for Sheriff in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 2015 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 227 days late.

Docket No. 17-019

Request that the Board waive the \$700 campaign finance late fee assessed against Rufus Craig, a candidate for Mayor-President, Metro Council, City of Baton Rouge in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

Docket No. 17-078

Request that the Board waive the \$320 campaign finance late fee assessed against Clay Nugent, in his capacity as a candidate for Chief of Police, Village of Georgetown in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 17-081

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Alvin Charles Drake, a candidate for Mayor, Town of Welsh in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

Docket No. 17-135

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Joseph B. Reynolds, a candidate for Coroner in Morehouse Parish in the November 8, 2016 election, for the late filing of his 30-P campaign finance report which was filed 104 days late.

Docket No. 17-140

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Rodney N. Erdey, in his capacity as a candidate for Mayor, Town of Livingston in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 19 days late.

Docket No. 17-171

Request that the Board waive a \$2,000 late fee assessed against Education Reform Now Advocacy and its committee's treasurer, Patrick Van Keerbergen, related to its participation in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 30-E campaign finance disclosure report was filed 93 days late.

Docket No. 17-172

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Frank Duson, Jr., in his capacity as a candidate for City Marshal, City Court, Town of Vidalia in the November 8, 2016 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 16 days late.

Docket No. 17-203

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against David E. Peralta, in his capacity as a candidate for St. Bernard Parish President in the October 22, 2011 election, whose 2014 Supplemental report was filed inaccurately.

G25. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

Docket No. CHART

March 2017 Lobbying Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 17-077

Request to waive the \$200 late fee assessed against Sara Berthelot for the late filing of the October 2016 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

Docket No. 17-098

Request to waive the \$1,500, \$1,500, \$1,250 and \$50 late fees assessed against Alaina Meilleur for the late filing of the July, August, September and November 2016 Lobbying Expenditure Reports.

Docket No. 17-136

Request to waive the \$1,500, \$1,500, \$1,450 and \$50 late fees assessed against Beldin Batiste for the late filing of the July, August, September and November 2016 Lobbying Expenditure Reports.

G26. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

<u>Docket No. waiver</u> March 2017 PFD Waiver Chart

Docket No. 16-805

Waiver request submitted by Michael A. "Mike" Small, Southern University Board of Supervisors, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2014 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 169 days late.

Docket No. 17-006

Waiver request submitted by Ray Lauga, Jr., a member of the St. Bernard Parish Council-District A, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 2 Annual PFD 36 days late.

Docket No. 17-009

Waiver request submitted by Chandra Scarber, a member of the Crawfish Promotion and Research Board, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 2.1 PFD 10 days late.

Docket No. 17-010

Waiver request submitted by Terrell Wilson, a member of the St. Charles Parish Council-District 1, regarding a \$200 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2015 Tier 2 Annual PFD 2 days late.

Docket No. 17-013

Waiver request submitted by Wendell Piper, a candidate for the East Baton Rouge Parish Metro Council-District8 in the November 8, 2016 election, regarding a \$500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2015 Tier 2 candidate PFD 5 days late.

Docket No. 17-016

Waiver request submitted by Joseph Harrison, Jr., a State Representative-District 51, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for failing to file his 2015 Tier 2 Annual PFD, which has not been filed to date.

Docket No. 17-127

Waiver request submitted by Chester Dillard, a member of the Houma-Terrebonne Housing Authority, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2014 Tier 2.1 PFD 201 days late.

Docket No. 17-128

Waiver request submitted by Kelvin McCoy, a member of the Boyce Board of Aldermen, Rapides Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 3 Annual PFD 97 days late.

Docket No. 17-129

Waiver request submitted by Velma Hendrix, a member of the Melville Town Council, St. Landry Parish, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 3 Annual PFD 98 days late.

Docket No. 17-131

Waiver request submitted by Vanessa James, a constable for St. James Parish, District 6, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2015 Tier 3 Annual PFD 112 days late.

G27. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS

Docket No. 16-208

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Coastal Impac, and its treasurer, Mr. Toby Gascon, in connection with its participation in the October 24, 2015 Election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 5 days late.

Docket No. 16-1041

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Anthony "Tony" Lewis, in his capacity as a candidate for District Judge / 17th Judicial DistrictCourt, Division B in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 2015 supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 227 days late.