



Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building
First Floor - LaBelle Room
MARCH 4, 2021
2:30 PM
617 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on March 4, 2021 and continue to March 5, 2021.

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 filed against India Reimoneng in Docket No. 2020-749.

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GENERAL

Appearances

- G1.** Docket No. 21-053
Advisory Opinion for Chris Dunn, employee of Louisiana Housing Corporation, relating to potential employment by Quad Area Community Action Agency.

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

- G2.** Docket No. CHART
Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent March 2021 Agenda.

- G3.** Docket No. 20-807
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics (Code) would prohibit Tangipahoa Parish Government employee Jill DeSouge's son, Brody DeSouge, independently or as an employee of KA-JI Construction, from being employed with RAWL or a similarly situated contractor with Tangipahoa Parish while she is employed with the Parish.
- G4.** Docket No. 21-004
Advisory opinion regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Joe Magee from serving as the Administrator of the Desoto Parish Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and being appointed to serve on the Desoto Parish Fire District 2 Board.
- G5.** Docket No. 21-028
Advisory Opinion Request from Ashley Deshotels Solomon, Director of Governmental and Ethics Compliance for Jefferson Parish, as to the Department of General Services providing lunch to its employees.
- G6.** Docket No. 21-055
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the post-employment restrictions in the Code of Governmental Ethics (Code) would prohibit Dr. Tucker, a former Assistant Warden 4 at David Wade Correctional Center (DWCC), from entering into a contract with the Department of Corrections(DOC) after her retirement.
- G7.** Docket No. 21-057
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted by Twahna Harris, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit the Butterfly Society, a non-profit organization of which she is the Founder and Executive Director, from accepting a \$24,250 contribution from the City of Baton Rouge - Parish of East Baton Rouge, where she is a Council Aide.
- G8.** Docket No. 21-059
A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted by Christi Disher, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit her broadband internet services company from entering into service agreements with Chicot State Park and, potentially, the Louisiana Office of State Parks (within the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation, & Tourism) to provide internet services for all RV campgrounds.
- G9.** Docket No. 21-060
Request for an advisory opinion from Fairway Consulting and Engineering regarding whether it can contract to provide general engineering services to the City of Mandeville when the owner's wife serves as the Magistrate of the Mayor's Court as an independent contractor.
- G10.** Docket No. 21-068
Advisory Opinion Request from Stephen B. Morris, M.D., member of the Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 2. Board, regarding leasing an office to Ochsner Clinic Foundation.

Regular Business

- G11.** Docket No. MINUTES
February 2021 Board Minutes
- G12.** Docket No. 18-757
Consent Opinion signed by (1) Ron Bourgeois and REECO Rental & Supply; and (2) Ronnie Chiasson and Sunbelt Fire Inc. regarding prohibited transactions with the Lafourche Parish Volunteer Fire Dept - Thibodaux.

G13. Docket No. 21-030

A request for an advisory opinion from the Franklin Parish Police Jury (pop. 20,767) relative to a cooperative endeavor agreement between the parish and the wife and daughter of a parish employee.

G14. Docket No. 21-048

A Request for an Advisory Opinion, submitted by Samuel B. Gabb, regarding whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit an immediate family member of a Calcasieu Parish Police Jury ("CPPJ") employee from executing a written servitude with the CPPJ.

G15. Docket No. RULE

Memorandum concerning the dollar amount for the food and drink limit that can be provided to a public servant per event.

G16. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**Docket No. waiver**

March 2021 CF Waiver Chart

Docket No. 20-511

Request that the Board waive a \$660 campaign finance late fee assessed against Terrell "T-Bone" Wilson, a candidate for Councilman at Large, Division B, St. Charles Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late; and, a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Terrell "T-Bone" Wilson, a candidate for Justice of the Peace, District 1, St. Charles Parish, in the July 11, 2020 election, whose 30-P campaign finance reports was filed 130 days late.

Docket No. 20-856

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Robert E. Jones, III, a successful candidate for Judge, Orleans Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 2019 Annual campaign finance disclosure report for a future election was filed 10 days late.

Docket No. 21-038

Request that the Board waive a \$540 campaign finance late fee assessed against Mark David Chiasson, a candidate for City Judge, City Court, City of Thibodaux, Lafourche Parish, in the November 3, 2020 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 21-041

Request that the Board waive a \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Charles Glenn Fallin, a candidate for District Judge, 2nd Judicial District Court, Div. C, Bienville Parish, in the November 3, 2020 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 21-042

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ralph "Big Guy" Johnson, Sr, a candidate for Council Member, City of St. Gabriel, Iberville Parish, in the March 30, 2019 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 29 days late.

G17. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**Docket No. waiver**

March 2021 PFD Waiver Chart

Docket No. 20-663

Waiver request submitted by Cynthia Alexander Green, former member of the Eastover Property Owners Association, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her 2017 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 131 days late.

Docket No. 20-888

Waiver request submitted by Robert Lawrence Thomas, former member of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority / West, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing both his amended 2017 and 2018 Tier 2.1 annual PFDs 157 days late.

Docket No. 20-892

Waiver request submitted by Anthony Bruce Rainey, Sr, a candidate for Terrebonne Parish Council / District 2 in the October 12, 2019 election, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 2 candidate PFD 259 days late.

Docket No. 20-893

Waiver request submitted by Arnel W. Cosey, Ph.D., New Orleans Workforce Development Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 109 days late.

Docket No. 20-894

Waiver request submitted by John A. Tullos, Constable / District 5 / West Carroll Parish, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 72 days late.

Docket No. 20-895

Waiver request submitted by Linda Sue Bailey, former member of the Eros Board of Alderman / Jackson (Pop. 155), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 79 days late.

Docket No. 20-896

Waiver request submitted by Leland Paul Adams, Sr., Constable / District 5A / Concordia Parish, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 38 days late.

Docket No. 20-897

Waiver request submitted by LaJuana Patrice Crain, Franklinton Board of Aldermen / Washington Parish (Pop. 3857), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 188 days late.

Docket No. 20-898

Waiver request submitted by Gregory Paul Prudhomme, Bunkie Board of Alderman / Member at Large / Avoyelles Parish (Pop. 4171), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 70 days late.

Docket No. 20-900

Waiver request submitted by Shanithia LaPearl "Shanita" Gay, Plain Dealing Board of Aldermen / District 1 / Bossier Parish (Pop. 1015), regarding a \$1100 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 22 days late.

Docket No. 20-907

Waiver request submitted by Harrison Carter Leak, IV, Louisiana Real Estate Appraisal Board, regarding an \$800 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 16 days late.

Docket No. 20-910

Waiver request submitted by David St. Etienne, Jefferson Parish Workforce Development Board / Jefferson, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing

his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 174 days late.

Docket No. 21-007

Waiver request submitted by Donna Moore Wyatt, Benton Board of Alderman / District 4 / Bossier (Pop. 1948), regarding a \$750 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 15 days late.

Docket No. 21-010

Waiver request submitted by Katherine Ballard Werner, Choice Foundation Charter School Board / New Orleans, regarding a \$400 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 8 days late.

Docket No. 21-031

Waiver request submitted by David Gerald Bocage, Mary McLeod Bethune Charter School Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 26 days late.

Docket No. 21-032

Waiver request submitted by Joseph Nelson Barron, Port Barre Board of Alderman / St. Landry Parish (Pop. 2055), regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 140 days late.

Docket No. 21-034

Waiver request submitted by Gene Willie Barber, former Constable / District C / Grant Parish, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 3 annual PFD 135 days late.

G18. WAIVER REQUESTS - UNTIMELY

Docket No. 20-890

Untimely waiver request submitted by Jody P. Charbonnet, former member of the St. Tammany Parish Recreation / District #4, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 132 days late.

Docket No. 20-899

Untimely waiver request submitted by Stacey Guy Allee, former member of the Lower Delta Soil and Water Conservation, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 164 days late.

Docket No. 20-908

Untimely waiver request submitted by Jesse Cobb Stewart, Choice Foundation Charter School Board, regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing his 2018 Tier 3 annual pfd 2 days late.

Docket No. 21-033

Untimely waiver request submitted by Tommy Anthony Thibodeaux, Teche Vermilion Fresh Water District, regarding a \$650 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 13 days late.

G19. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS

Docket No. 20-639

Request for reconsideration that the Board waive a \$3,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Citizens for Cutting the Crap Out of Politics, a political committee, its committee's chairperson, Dan Shapiro, and treasurer, Melodie Johnson, for the October 12, 2019 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 60 days late.