

# **Louisiana Board of Ethics**

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617 North 3rd Street
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Note: Meetings begin on October 17, 2013 and continue to October 18, 2013.

# **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. 13-1037

Declaratory opinion request from Steven C. Wilson regarding Mr. Wilson's continued employment with Motiva while serving on the Pontchartrain Levee District and a declaratory opinion request from Gulf Coast GTL, LLC, as to whether its submission of an application to the Pontchartrain Levee District for a Letter of No Objection and the District's subsequent consideration of said Letter of No Objection while Mr. Wilson serves on the District would violate the Ethics Code.

# **G2.** Docket No. 12-407

Waiver request submitted by Donald Cravins, Sr., candidate for Mayor of the City of Opelousas in the October 22, 2011 election, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 candidate personal financial statement 55 days late.

#### **G3.** Docket No. 12-1868

Waiver request submitted by Representative Wesley Bishop regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 candidate pfd 97 days late.

## **G4.** Docket No. 13-312

Appearance in connection with a reconsider 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.

## **G5.** Docket No. 13-969

Waiver request submitted by Edward Robinson, Sr., a member of the New Orleans City Planning Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 399 days late.

# **G6.** Docket No. 13-1128

Request the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against LA Restaurant Association Hospitality PAC, in the April 6, 2013 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 26 days late.

## **G7.** Docket No. 13-1149

Waiver request submitted by Mark Cockerham, member of the Lafayette Parish School Board, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 candidate pfd 826 days late and a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 198 days late.

## **G8.** Docket No. 13-1265

Waiver request submitted by former Rep. Nickie Monica regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 212 days late.

# Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

#### **G9.** Docket No. 11-1875

Consent opinion regarding a company owned in part by James Bickham, employee with DOTD, contracting with a contractor of DOTD.

# **G10.** <u>Docket No. 12-1178</u>

Consent Opinion regarding the receipt by former St. Charles Parish District Attorney, Harry Morel, Jr., of a retirement gift prior to his retirement.

#### **G11.** Docket No. 13-1051

Advisory opinion regarding whether the members of the Louisiana Rehabilitation Council are required to file annual pfds pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1124.2.1.

## **G12.** Docket No. 13-1212

Advisory opinion request from Elijah Banks, Alderman for the Town of Ferriday, regarding the budget process in the Town of Ferriday.

# **G13.** Docket No. 13-1213

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Iberville Parish Council may contract with a company partially owned by the wife of Troy Tempanaro, an employee of the Iberville Parish Council.

#### **G14.** Docket No. 13-1214

Advisory opinion regarding whether a former office manager for the Department of Public and Safety, Cherl Domingue, may open a public tag agency.

## **G15.** Docket No. 13-1215

Advisory Opinion Request regarding a job opening for the Children's Librarian at the Vermilion Parish Library.

## **G16.** Docket No. 13-1218

Advisory opinion request regarding whether a member of the New Orleans City Planning Commission (CPC) may engage the services of an architect or contractor who has work submitted to the CPC.

## **G17.** Docket No. 13-1225

Advisory opinion regarding whether Caddo Parish can rehire the former Parish Attorney, Charles Grubb, on a part-time basis.

## **G18.** Docket No. 13-1228

Advisory opinion request regarding Dr. Dana Clawson, Dean of the College of Nursing at Northwestern State University contracting with Dr. Todd Thoma while his sister Dr. Teresa Kevil is member of the faculty.

## **G19.** Docket No. 13-1229

Advisory opinion regarding whether Patty Matlock may apply for a secretarial position with the Board of Commissioners for Northeast Bossier Fire Protection District No 5 while her husband, Ronald S. Matlock serves the district as Fire Chief.

#### **G20.** Docket No. 13-1232

Advisory opinion regarding whether the daughter of John Watson, Superintendent of Livingston Parish School Board, may serve as a day-to-day substitute teacher.

# **G21.** Docket No. 13-1241

Advisory opinion request concerning post-employment restrictions that would apply to Eileen Fourroux, an employee of the Department of Children and Family Services.

## **G22.** Docket No. 13-1243

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Lake Charles Police Officers Association may lease a shooting range to the City of Lake Charles.

#### **G23.** Docket No. 13-1256

Advisory opinion request concerning post-employment restrictions that would apply to Brian L. Young, Sr., a former employee with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

# **G24.** <u>Docket No. 13-1312</u>

Disqualification Plan submitted by Bossier Parish School Board regarding Kyle Machen, employee of Bossier School Board, and D.C. Machen, Bossier Parish School System Superintendent.

## **G25.** Docket No. 13-1314

Advisory opinion request regarding Elise Hester Reed, an employee of the Ruston Behavioral Health Unit becoming a Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) and providing assessment for a non-profit clinic.

## **G26.** Docket No. 13-1316

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the wife of Jason St. Pierre, Principal of Walker High School, may continue to drive extracurricular bus routes for Walker High School.

## **G27.** Docket No. 13-1317

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Joseph DeVillier, a former member of the Acadiana Area Human Services District, may be employed at the Joseph Tyler Mental Health Center.

# **G28.** Docket No. 13-1319

Advisory opinion regarding whether a company owned by the former facilities manager for Wilson's Charter School, Brian Chatfield, may enter into a contract with the Charter School.

# G29. <u>Docket No. 13-1322</u>

Advisory opinion request regarding whether Lake City Trucking may subcontract with an entity performing work at the Chennault International Airpark.

## **G30.** Docket No. 13-1323

Advisory opinion request from Linda D'Amico, Superintendent of Pointe Coupee Parish School District, regarding the propriety of school system employees receiving things of economic value from various individuals.

## **G31.** Docket No. 13-1324

Advisory opinion regarding post-employment restrictions to Joshua McNemar, a former Governors Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) employee who works for GCR, Incorporated.

#### **G32.** Docket No. 13-1325

Advisory opinion regarding whether a Library Specialist Supervisor for the State Library, Shirley McCoy, may set-up a table at the Louisiana Book Festival.

## **G33.** Docket No. 13-1326

Advisory opinion regarding whether Mack Dellafosse, a member of the Calcasieu Parish School Board, may participate in fundraising activities for his son's youth sports team.

#### **G34.** Docket No. 13-1327

Advisory opinion regarding whether Peter Allain, an employee of the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), may submit a bid for a contract with DOTD for work to be performed following his retirement from DOTD.

# **G35.** Docket No. 13-1328

Advisory opinion regarding whether, Jacquelyn Brechtel Clarkson, New Orleans Councilman, may serve as a Honorary Consul of Lithuania for Louisiana at a time when she serves as a Councilman for the City of New Orleans.

#### **G36.** Docket No. 13-1335

Advisory opinion request regarding whether William Mattox's company, Grass Hopper Lawn Care of Alexandria, LLC, bidding on or entering into a contract with

Louisiana State University at Alexandria (LSUA) and other state agencies while he is employed by the LSUA Police Department.

## **G37.** Docket No. 13-1336

Advisory opinion request regarding the post-employment restrictions on Thomas D. Davenport, Jr. a former member of the Rapides Parish Civil Service Board.

## **Disclosure Reports**

## **G38.** Docket No. 13-897

Answer submitted on behalf of Mr. Oscar Nelson a former member of the Workforce Investment Board #83 in response to a notice of delinquency requesting he file his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd.

# **G39.** Docket No. 13-1064

Answer submitted on behalf of Mr.Wali Abdel-Raoof, a member of the Audubon Commission in response to a notice of delinquency requesting he file his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd.

## **G40.** Docket No. 13-1071

Untimely PFD Answer submitted by Johnny Jeanise, a former member of the Houma Terrebonne Housing Authority, in response to a notice of delinquency received requesting he file his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd.

## **G41.** Docket No. 13-1291

PFD answer submitted by Daniel Stanford, former member of the Webster Parish School Board, in response to a notice of deliquency requesting he file his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd.

# **Regular Business**

## G42. Docket No. MINUTES

September 2013 Board Minutes

## G43. Docket No. MTG2014

2014 Calendar for Meetings of the Louisiana Board of Ethics

## **G44.** Docket No. 12-995

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Tina Pohlmeyer, a former member of the Workforce Investment Board, regarding a \$600 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 12 days late.

# **G45.** Docket No. 12-1120

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Gerard Frey, a member of the Acadia Soil & Water Conservation District, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 364 days late.

#### **G46.** Docket No. 12-1804

Waiver request submitted by William Bagley, a candidate for the Desoto Parish Police Jury, District 1A, in the November 6, 2012 election, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 candidate pfd untimely.

## **G47.** Docket No. 12-2092

Reconsideration of waiver request submitted by Beverly Huey, a member of the New Orleans Council on Aging, regarding two \$1,400 (\$2,800) late fees assessed for filing her 2009 and 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfds 28 days late.

## **G48.** Docket No. 13-091

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Bryan Wooley, a former member of the Shreveport City Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 15 days late.

#### **G49.** Docket No. 13-409

Waiver request submitted by Alvin Jackson, Richwood Alderman, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 3 annual 134 days late. And, an untimely waiver request regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 Candidate pfd 224 days late.

## **G50.** Docket No. 13-886

Untimely waiver request of Claude "Jay" Guidry, a member of the St. Landry Parish Council, regarding a \$1,600 late fee assessed for filing his 2009 Tier 2 annual pfd 16 days late and a \$1,600 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 16 days late.

## **G51.** Docket No. 13-936

Advisory opinion request regarding Liskow & Lewis, PLC, providing adivice to clients regarding legislation through a separate company, now that a member of the Louisiana Legislature is a partner in Liskow & Lewis.

# **G52.** Docket No. 13-961

Untimely waiver request submitted by Larry O. Powell, II, a member of the Tullos Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 296 days late.

## **G53.** Docket No. 13-1242

Advisory opinion regarding whether a substitute teacher for the Iberia Parish School District may sell t-shirts and other promotional items to schools and students in Iberia Parish.

#### **G54.** Docket No. 13-1261

Untimely waiver request submitted by Charles Labbe, a member of the Human Service District, regarding a \$150 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 3 days late.

## G55. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE

#### Docket No. CHART

October 2013 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

## Docket No. 13-1126

Request the Board waive the \$900 and \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Lourdes Moran, a candidate for Member of Orleans Parish School Board, District 4, in the November 6, 2012 election, whose Supplemental and 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 15 and 202 days late.

# Docket No. 13-1127

Request the Board waive the \$800 campaign finance late fee assessed against VISION PAC, in the September 20, 2012 election, whose Monthly campaign finance disclosure report was filed 4 days late.

# Docket No. 13-1220

Request the Board waive the \$1260 campaign finance late fee assessed against Marlon J. Horton, a candidate for Orleans Parish Council member, District B in the

November 6, 2012 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 21 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1329

Request the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Natalie Lopez Robin, a candidate for Council Member, District 1, City of New Iberia in the November 6, 2012 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 256 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1330

Request the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Greg Gaubert, a candidate for Public Service Commission, District 2, in the November 6, 2012 election, whose EDE-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1350

Request the Board waive the \$1,400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Eugene J. Green Jr. a candidate for Councilman at Large, Orleans Parish, in the February 1, 2014 election, whose 180-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

## G56. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

#### Docket No. CHART

Lobbying Waiver Request Chart for October 2013.

## Docket No. 13-1356

Request that the Board waive the \$450 late fee assessed against Brent Boyd for his failure to timely file a lobbyist Supplemental Registration.

## Docket No. 13-1357

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Dannie Garrett, III for his failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Registration.

### Docket No. 13-1359

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Joshua G. Borill for his failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Registration.

# Docket No. 13-1360

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Michael Michot for his failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Registration.

#### Docket No. 13-1361

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Mark Drennen for his failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Registration

## Docket No. 13-1397

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Nicholas P. Cahanin for his failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Registration

#### Docket No. 13-1398

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Tyron D. Picard for his failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Registration.

#### Docket No. 13-1399

Request that the Board waive the \$1500 late fee assessed against Paulette Bailey Wilson for her failure to timely file a Lobbyist Supplemental Registration report.

## G57. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

#### Docket No. waiver

October 2013 PFD Waiver Chart

## Docket No. 13-909

Waiver request submitted by Daniel Songy, a member of the Southeast Regional Airport Authority, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd days late.

### Docket No. 13-945

Waiver request submitted by Brenda Nevels, candidate for Mayor of the Village of Tangipahoa in the 11/6/2012 election, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 3 candidate pfd 126 days late.

#### Docket No. 13-962

Waiver request submitted by Thaddeus Pellegrin, Jr., a former member of the South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 342 days late.

## Docket No. 13-964

Waiver request submitted by Keitha Donnelly, a member of the Beauregard Parish Tourist Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 318 days late.

## Docket No. 13-968

Waiver request submitted by Brandon Shelvin, member of the Lafayette City-Parish Council, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2 annual pfd 258 days late.

## Docket No. 13-971

Waiver request submitted by Brenda Smith, a member of the North Caddo Medical Center Board of Trustees, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 385 days late.

#### Docket No. 13-975

Waiver request submitted by Raymond Calep, a member of the Lucky Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 368 days late and a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 342 days late.

#### Docket No. 13-1139

Waiver request submitted by Robert Lancaster, member of the Mental Health Advocacy Service, regarding a \$50 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 1 day late.

# Docket No. 13-1169

Waiver request submitted by Hester Cottles, member of the Treme Charter School, regarding a \$400 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 8 days late.

# Docket No. 13-1190

Waiver request submitted by Oakland Adams, Jr., a former member of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 293 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1191

Waiver request submitted by Floyd Terrell, Sabine Parish constable, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 3 annual pfd 287 days late.

#### Docket No. 13-1192

Waiver request submitted by Mariah Underwood, member of the Coordinating Council, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 457 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1193

Waiver request submitted by James Starr, member of the Citizen's Insurance Board, regarding a \$350 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 7 days late.

# Docket No. 13-1194

Waiver request submitted by Walter Guillory, member of the Louisiana Housing Finance Authority, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 379 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1195

Waiver request submitted by Richard D'Aquin, Sr., former member of the Louisiana Board of Regents, regarding a \$1,150 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 23 days late.

#### Docket No. 13-1196

Waiver request submitted by Judy Madison, member of the Shreveport Housing Authority, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 363 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1197

Waiver request submitted by Gayla Guidry, a member of the Louisiana Rehabilitation Council, regarding a \$250 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 5 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1198

Waiver request submitted by Ray Mills, former member of the North Webster Parish Industrial District Board, regarding a \$700 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 14 days late.

#### Docket No. 13-1200

Waiver request submitted by Timothy Palmatier, member of the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, regarding a \$450 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 9 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1201

Waiver request submitted by Marlin Gusman, Orleans Parish Sheriff, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 183 days late.

#### Docket No. 13-1202

Waiver request submitted by John Courtney, member of the state Board of Examiners in Psychology, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2010 Tier 2.1 annua pfd 326 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1203

Waiver request submitted by John Lamarque, Jr., member of the St. Tammany

Parish School Board, regarding a \$2,500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2010 Tier 2 annual pfd 224 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1262

Waiver request submitted by Kimberly Kennedy, member of the Varnado Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2009 Tier 3 annual pfd 345 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1263

Waiver request submitted by James Daigle, Village of Cankton Alderman, regarding a \$400 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 8 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1266

Waiver request submitted by Laura Brackin, member of the Louisiana Serve Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing her 2010 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 268 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1268

Waiver request submitted by Mildred Ferguson, member of the Bernice Board of Aldermen, regarding a \$150 late fee assessed for filing her 2011 Tier 3 annual pfd 3 days late.

## Docket No. 13-1272

Waiver request submitted by Anthony Boudreaux, member of the Lafayette Parish Waterworks District North, regarding a \$850 late fee assessed for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 17 days late.

# G58. WAIVER REQUESTS - OTHER DISCLOSURE

## Docket No. 13-1271

Waiver request submitted by Nettie Burchfield, Controller for Southeastern Louisiana University, regarding a \$2,000 late fee assessed for filing her 2012 R.S. 42:1114 disclosure statement 20 days late.



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Discussion in executive session regarding charges issued against Jennifer Sneed.

<u>Discussion of litigation in Center for Individual Freedom v. Charles R. Scott, et al.</u> <u>USDC, Western District, Case No. 13-2715.</u>

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# **GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL**

#### **Appearances**

# **GS1.** Docket No. 12-418

Reconsideration of a waiver request submitted by Darrel Rivere regarding a \$1,500 late fee for filing his 2009 Tier 2.1 pfd 90 days late.

## **GS2.** Docket No. 12-1782

Reconsideration of an advisory opinion regarding whether members of the

Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board (LSPMB) may participate in a LSPMB trade show booth and whether it is a conflict of interest if LSPMB Board members inadvertently received a benefit from Distributor Promotions and Incentive Programs conducted by the Seafood Marketing Campaign Team.

# **GS3.** Docket No. 13-905

Advisory opinion request from Steven B. Loeb, General Counsel for the American Council of Engineering Companies of Louisiana, regarding the applicability of various ethics laws to architects and engineers.

# Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions & Items Requiring No Board Action

# **GS4.** Docket No. 13-1233

Advisory opinion regarding whether Brett Falterman, a newly hired employee of the Fisheries Management Section of the Office of Fisheries for the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) may maintain outside employment while employed with the LDWF.