



## Louisiana Board of Ethics

**LaSalle Building  
First Floor - Griffon Room  
JULY 18, 2019  
2:30 PM  
617 North 3rd Street  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

**Note: Meetings begin on July 18, 2019 and continue to July 19, 2019.**

### Executive Session

Consideration of complaints and reports deemed confidential pursuant to Section 1141 of the Code of Governmental Ethics.

Discussion in Executive Session of pending charges against Herman Taitt in Docket No. 2013-1059.

Discussion in Executive Session of pending charges against James Charpentier and Houma Tractor and Equipment Inc in Docket No. 2016-1177.

Discussion in executive session of personnel matters involving applications received for the position Executive Secretary.

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JULY 19, 2019  
9:00 AM  
617 North 3rd Street  
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### **GENERAL**

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#### **Appearances**

**G1. Docket No. 18-754**

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Robert J. Sanderson, Jr., in his capacity as a person participating in the

April 29, 2017 proposition election, whose 10-E report was filed 314 days late.

**G2. Docket No. 19-193**

Request that the Board waive the \$400 and \$40 campaign finance late fees assessed against Jared "Boo" Bercegeay, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 6, Seat A, Ascension Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 12 days and 1 day late, respectively.

**G3. Docket No. 19-569**

1. Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Omar Khalid Mason, a candidate for Judge, Civil District Court, Division J and his committee's chairperson, Lynn Luker, and treasurer, Gilbert Jones, in the October 14, 2017 election whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 11 days late. AND 2. Request to waive the \$700 campaign finance late fee assessed against Omar Khalid Mason, a candidate for Judge, Civil District Court, Division E and his committee's chairperson, Lynn Luker, and treasurer, Gilbert Jones, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was 7 days late.

**G4. Docket No. 19-621**

Request that the Board waive a \$660 campaign finance late fee assessed against Gary "Sprout" Spillman, a candidate for State Representative, 18th Representative District, in the February 23, 2019 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

**G5. Docket No. 19-627**

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against William Spencer, Jr., a candidate for State Representative, 18th Representative District, in the February 23, 2019 election, whose 30-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 69 days late.

**G6. Docket No. 19-628**

Request that the Board waive a \$1,200 campaign finance late fee assessed against Marion W. Fox, a candidate for State Representative, District 37, in a future election, whose 2018 Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 20 days late.

**G7. Docket No. 19-629**

Request that the Board waive a \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Richard Guy Duplantier, a candidate for Judge, Civil District Court, Division A, Orleans Parish, in the March 24, 2018 election, with his chairperson, Leila A. D'Aquin, and his treasurer, Mary L. Dumestre, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 19 days late.

**G8. Docket No. 19-630**

Request that the Board waive a \$840 campaign finance late fee assessed against Kevin M. Berken, a candidate for Senate, District 25, Jefferson Davis Parish, in a future election, whose 2018 Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

**G9. Docket No. 19-647**

Advisory opinion request regarding Reflection of the Green Leaf Project, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit corporation, collaborating with the East Baton Rouge Parish Drug Court as it relates to future grants.

**Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions**

- G10.** Docket No. CHART  
Chart for Advisory Opinion Requests on the General Consent July 2019 Agenda.
- G11.** Docket No. 18-951  
Request for reconsideration of an advisory opinion relative to the Bayou Vista Volunteer Fire Department (pop. 4,652)
- G12.** Docket No. 19-210  
Advisory opinion request as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Ray Williams, the elected Police Chief for the Village of Pleasant Hill, from being employed as a School Resource Officer in Sabine Parish schools.
- G13.** Docket No. 19-494  
Request for an advisory opinion from Amwaste of Louisiana, LLC relative to the purchase of fuel from Robertson Brother Oil Company, which employs a Tangipahoa Parish Councilman, while Amwaste has a contract with Tangipahoa Parish Government for waste disposal services.
- G14.** Docket No. 19-495  
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Rusty Reeves from being a candidate for the office of Allen Parish Police Juror while serving as a full time employee of the Louisiana Rural Water Association.
- G15.** Docket No. 19-496  
Advisory Opinion request from Lee Chastant, CEO, concerning the West Feliciana Hospital Board contracting with Dr. Nnamdi Nwabueze.
- G16.** Docket No. 19-556  
Advisory Opinion request from David Robin regarding the Scott Fire Dept.
- G17.** Docket No. 19-597  
Advisory opinion request regarding whether Antonio Williams, Jr., a security patrol officer with the Villa del Rey Crime Prevention District, may continue contracting those services while his father, Antonio Williams, serves as a member of the Villa del Rey Crime Prevention District Board of Directors and/or the Security Patrol Coordinator.
- G18.** Docket No. 19-616  
Request for an Advisory Opinion from Angelique Williams relative to post-employment restrictions following her retirement from the Louisiana Department of Education - Division of Child Care Licensing as a Licensing Supervisor.
- G19.** Docket No. 19-625  
Advisory opinion request as to whether Michelle Coleman, a board member of the Civic Center Board in Allen Parish, may cater private events that occur at the Civic Center.
- G20.** Docket No. 19-633  
Advisory Opinion request from Ben Burwell with the Leesville Police Department (Vernon Parish) as to providing services to Perceptive Intelligence, LLC.
- G21.** Docket No. 19-643  
Request for an advisory opinion from Jan Janz, a member of the Board of Directors for Edward Hynes Charter School in New Orleans (pop. 343,829)

relative to whether she can nominate the principal of Hynes Charter School for a UNO-25 award.

- G22.** Docket No. 19-644  
Advisory Opinion request from Deborah G. Gautreaux, Administrator for the Lafourche Ambulance District No. 1, regarding the appointment of her brother-in-law, Wayne Doucet, as a Member of the Board of Commissioners.
- G23.** Docket No. 19-645  
Advisory opinion request regarding whether Elizabeth deEtte Smythe may provide compensated services as a subject matter expert with the U.S. Department of Justice.
- G24.** Docket No. 19-646  
Request for an advisory opinion by Tommy Teague, CEO of Office of Group Benefits, relative to Office of Group Benefits Policy and Planning Board members appearing before the Louisiana Legislature.
- G25.** Docket No. 19-661  
An advisory opinion request regarding whether the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District can contract with the lowest bid contractor Berry Brothers General Contractors, who employs Troy Lombardo - an appointed Board member.
- G26.** Docket No. 19-662  
An advisory opinion request, submitted by Jessica G. Richardson, regarding whether the Code would prohibit her from working as a historic preservation consultant while maintaining her employment at the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development ("LaDOTD").
- G27.** Docket No. 19-663  
Advisory Opinion Request regarding whether Tikera D. Chisley can maintain her employment as an Education Program Consultant with the Louisiana Department of Education while providing contractual services to Hoffman Early Learning Center as an Accreditation Coach.
- G28.** Docket No. 19-680  
Advisory opinion request regarding whether a Type 1 Charter School's application submitted to the Vermilion Parish School Board that includes people in positions prohibited by R.S. 42:1119 renders the application null and void and whether such deficiencies can be cured without starting the charter application process over.
- G29.** Docket No. 19-681  
Advisory Opinion request from Mark Ludke, owner of Mark's Driving Academy, LLC and teacher at C.E. Byrd High School in Shreveport, as to whether he can provide private driver education courses to students.
- G30.** Docket No. 19-682  
Advisory Opinion request from G. Carlton Golden, Jr.
- G31.** Docket No. 19-683  
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Michael Sanders, the son of the Chairman of the Board for Fire District 1 in Natchitoches Parish, from being promoted to Fire Chief.
- G32.** Docket No. 19-684  
An advisory opinion request, submitted by Mandy Green, Ph.D. ("Dr. Green"), regarding whether she would be prohibited from accepting employment from

Royal Engineers & Consultants after terminating her employment with the State of Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority ("CPRA").

**G33. Docket No. 19-686**

An advisory opinion request, submitted by Dwight Norton, regarding whether he or his company (Umbrella Collaborative, L3C) would be prohibited from entering into a direct contractual relationship with the City of New Orleans Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness ("NOHSEP") to provide community engagement consulting services to support the development of an updated FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**G34. Docket No. 19-687**

An advisory opinion request, submitted by Jared Genova, regarding whether he or his company (Umbrella Collaborative, L3C) would be prohibited from entering into a direct contractual relationship with the City of New Orleans Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness ("NOHSEP") to provide community engagement consulting services to support the development of an updated FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**G35. Docket No. 19-688**

Advisory Opinion request by Willie Zanders on behalf of Robert Russa Moton Charter School in New Orleans regarding a potential contract with The People's Institute for Survival and Beyond.

### **Regular Business**

**G36. Docket No. MINUTES**

June 2019 Board Minutes

**G37. Docket No. 14-472**

Staff memo regarding William B. Caster, an unsuccessful candidate for Mayor, City of Harahan, Jefferson Parish, in the October 2, 2010 election, who was assessed late fees and a civil penalty for the late filings of multiple supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports.

**G38. Docket No. 17-208**

Consent Order signed by Terrance Stewart, former Tangipahoa Parish Landfill Manager.

**G39. Docket No. 18-037**

Consent orders regarding the employment of the daughter of April Volpe with the Accounting Department of the Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office while April Volpe served as the supervisor in the Accounting Department with the Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office.

**G40. Docket No. 18-076**

Consent Order regarding Anita and Lynn Breaux with Glencoe Education Foundation Inc. operating as Glencoe Charter School in Franklin (St. Mary Parish).

**G41. Docket No. 18-230**

Consent opinion concerning Calvin and Connie Duhon and the Doyce Lagneaux Store, Inc. for violations of La. R.S. 42:1113A when Connie Duhon was an employee of the Lafayette Parish Waterworks District- South and supplies were sold to the District.

**G42. Docket No. 18-1406**

Consent Orders regarding Paige O'Quin and Rachel Broome in connection with prohibited transactions with the Natchitoches Parish Fire District No. 1.

**G43. Docket No. 19-685**

Request for an Advisory Opinion from Robert Raymond, Director of Legal Services for St. Charles Parish (pop. 52,812) relative to the execution of a property deed transfer by the St. Charles Parish President relative to the purchase of property between Paul J. Hogan, a member of the St. Charles Parish Council, and St. Charles Parish.

**G44. Docket No. 19-753**

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Roger Freeman, the elected Police Chief for the Town of Many, from being employed as a School Resource Officer (SRO) in Sabine Parish schools.

**G45. Docket No. ExecSec**

Discussion of Executive Secretary position.

**G46. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE****Docket No. chart**

July 2019 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

**Docket No. 19-350**

Request that the Board waive two \$3,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against SWLA Forward PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Jonald J. Walker, III, and treasurer, James Gary Gobert, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 116 and 154 days late, respectively.

**Docket No. 19-353**

Request that the Board waive the \$440 and \$320 campaign finance late fees assessed against Tina Miceli, a candidate for Mayor, City of Harahan, Jefferson Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 11 and 8 days late, respectively.

**Docket No. 19-445**

Request that the Board waive a \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Alfred "Sonnie" Dupree, a candidate for Alderman, District D, City of Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

**Docket No. 19-568**

Request that the Board waive the \$2,800 campaign finance late fee assessed against UA Local 198 PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Neal P. Miller, and treasurer, Charles B. Habig, Jr, whose January 2019 Monthly Report campaign finance report was filed 14 days late.

**Docket No. 19-613**

Request that the Board waive \$360 and \$360 campaign finance late fees assessed against John C. Reeves, a candidate for Judge, 7th JDC, Division A, Catahoula Parish, in the October 5, 2002 and November 4, 2014 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports were both filed 6 days late.

**Docket No. 19-615**

Request that the Board waive a \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Mary Ellen Donatto, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 13, St. Landry Parish, in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 10 days late.

Docket No. 19-622

Request that the Board waive a \$100 campaign finance late fee assessed against Michael "Mike" S. Yenni, a candidate for Parish President, Jefferson Parish, in the October 12, 2019 election, his chairman Edward Martina, III, and his treasurer, Ryan Kruse election, whose 180-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 1 day late.

Docket No. 19-623

Request that the Board waive the \$1,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Stephen Saussy, a candidate for Aldermen, Town of Abita Springs, St. Tammany Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 76 days late.

Docket No. 19-631

Request that the Board waive the \$600 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jonathan Liberto, a candidate for Constable, 1st Justice Court, Jefferson Parish, in the October 4, 2008 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 41 days late.

Docket No. 19-639

Request that the Board waive the \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jason Verdigets, a candidate for District Judge, 23rd Judicial District Court, ES 2, Div. A, Ascension Parish, in the November 4, 2014 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 82 days late.

Docket No. 19-640

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Eric M. Chatelain, a candidate for Mayor, City of Harahan, Jefferson Parish, in the November 4, 2014, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 24 days late.

Docket No. 19-641

Request that the Board waive a \$240 campaign finance late fee assessed against David Kenneth Hedrick, Jr., a candidate for Sheriff in a future election, Concordia Parish, whose 2018 Annual campaign finance disclosure report was filed 53 days late.

Docket No. 19-642

Request that the Board waive the \$1,020 campaign finance late fee assessed against Wydette Williams, a candidate for Sheriff, East Carroll Parish, in the October 24, 2015 election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report was filed 17 days late.

Docket No. 19-657

Request that the Board waive the two (2) \$2,000 campaign finance late fee assessed against Tim Bailey, a candidate for State Representative, 73rd Representative District, in the October 24, 2015 election, whose 2017 Supplemental report has not been filed and whose 2018 Supplemental report was filed 85 days late.

Docket No. 19-660

Request that the Board waive the \$600 and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against W. K. "Bill" Fontenot, a candidate for Parish President, St. Landry Parish, in the October 22, 2011 and October 24, 2015 and election, whose 2018 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure reports were both filed 15 days late.

**G47. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING**

Docket No. 19-638

Request to waive the \$50 late fee assessed against Lauren Bailey for the late filing of the March 2019 Lobbying Expenditure Report.

**G48. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**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.

**G49. WAIVER REQUESTS - UNTIMELY**Docket No. 19-278

Request that the Board waive the \$1,380, \$180 and \$600 campaign finance late fees assessed against John C. Thompson, a candidate for West Feliciana Parish President, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 30-P, 10-P & 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 23, 3 and 20 days late, respectively.

**G50. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS**Docket No. 19-289

Reconsideration of the Board's denial of a request to waive the \$1,000, \$716 and \$1,000 campaign finance late fees assessed against Tammy Lamy, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 11, St. Tammany Parish, in in the November 6, 2018 elections, whose 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 36, 53 and 38 days late, respectively.