



Louisiana Board of Ethics

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Note: Meetings begin on April 11, 2019 and continue to April 12, 2019.

Executive Session

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

Discussion regarding charges against Paulette Bruno in Docket No. 2011-1442.

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GENERAL

Public Hearings

G1. Docket No. 19-327

Public hearing to consider a declaratory opinion request from Representative Nancy Landry regarding the propriety of her election, appointment, or employment by the House of Representatives to the position of Clerk of the House of Representatives once her term of office has expired.

Appearances

G2. Docket No. 18-1440

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$1,800 campaign finance late

fee assessed against the LA Oil and Gas PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Don G. Briggs, and treasurer, Bryan Hanks, whose September 2018 Monthly Report campaign finance report was filed 9 days late.

G3. Docket No. 18-1473

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$1,800 campaign finance late fee assessed against Rig PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Bob Meredith and treasurer, Jordan Gleason, whose September 2018 Monthly Report campaign finance report was filed 9 days late.

G4. Docket No. 18-1474

Request that the Board reconsider waiving the \$1,800 campaign finance late fee assessed against the Drill PAC, a political action committee, its committee's chairperson, Mark K. Miller, and treasurer, Cece Richter, whose September 2018 Monthly Report campaign finance report was filed 9 days late.

G5. Docket No. 19-117

Advisory Opinion request from Henry D. Olinde, Jr., on behalf of Pointe Coupee Parish President Major Thibaut as to whether Mr. Thibaut may receive compensation from Massad-Olinde in connection with health insurance commissions received from the Pointe Coupee Hospital Service District No. 1.

G6. Docket No. 19-179

Waiver request submitted by John Claiborne Brass, candidate for the Lutcher Board of Alderman, District 1, Division A, St. James Parish (Pop. 3559) in the November 6, 2018 election, regarding a \$1500.00 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2017 Tier 3 candidate pfd 106 days late.

G7. Docket No. 19-273

Request that the Board waive the \$280 campaign finance late fee assessed Briton Myer, a candidate for Council Member, District 5, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 7 days late.

G8. Docket No. 19-322

Advisory Opinion request from Arcadis, Inc. through R. Gray Sexton, Attorney for Arcadis, Inc., in connection with an OCD-DRU RFP for Watershed Initiative Program Management Support Services.

G9. Docket No. 19-323

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code would prohibit CSRS, Inc.'s (CSRS) ability to respond as a prime contractor to the State of Louisiana, Louisiana Land Trust's Request for Qualification Statements for Phase III Engineering Design and Related Service for the Resettlement of Isle de Jean Charles (Phase III) while also subcontracting with the Office of Community Development Disaster Recovery Unit (OCD-DRU) to provide grant management services.

G10. Docket No. 19-326

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the employees of a partner to a cooperative endeavor agreement with a charter school may serve as members of the charter school board.

Consent Agenda and Consent Opinions

G11. Docket No. CHART

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

- G12.** Docket No. 19-104
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit the Beauregard Parish Police Jury from appointing Ruthy Reed to the Beauregard Parish Fire District 4 Board while she serves as a bookkeeper for the Parish.
- G13.** Docket No. 19-207
Advisory Opinion request of Donna Rutledge, Catahoula Parish Registrar of Voters, regarding her son qualifying as a candidate for Catahoula Parish Police Jury.
- G14.** Docket No. 19-209
Request for an advisory opinion from Cornell Dukes, Mayor of New Roads (pop. 4,831) relative to whether his limited liability company can continue to rent property whereby some of the tenants receive vouchers for partial rent subsidies through the Section 8 program administered by the New Roads Housing Authority.
- G15.** Docket No. 19-211
Advisory opinion request from Boyce Police Chief Ronald Lamont Goudeau regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit him from promoting his cousin, Raphelle Turner, to Assistant Chief of Police.
- G16.** Docket No. 19-233
Request for an advisory opinion from Eileen Bates-McCarroll, Mayor of Albany (pop. 1088) as to whether a clerical employee of the town who receives payments for traffic citations may work as a part-time police officer for the town.
- G17.** Docket No. 19-261
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the former Chief Criminal Deputy of the Desoto Parish Sheriff's Office may contract with the Desoto Parish Sheriff's Office, Desoto Parish Police Jury, Desoto Parish School Board, Desoto Parish Water Systems or the Desoto Parish 911 System.
- G18.** Docket No. 19-262
Advisory opinion regarding the continued employment of Chantell Vedros with Lafourche Parish Council on Aging if her aunt is appointed to the board.
- G19.** Docket No. 19-263
Advisory Opinion request as to whether Kyle Machen, Principal of Benton Middle School in Bossier Parish, may perform services for Solution Tree, Inc.
- G20.** Docket No. 19-264
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics prohibits Daniel J. Adams, a part-time employee of Louisiana Department of Hospitals Office of Behavioral Health (LDH/OBH), from providing services to Louisiana Bureau of Emergency Management Services.
- G21.** Docket No. 19-265
Advisory Opinion request from Judge Arthur L. Hunter, Jr. as to the use of the title "Judge" in a non-judicial election campaign.
- G22.** Docket No. 19-267
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit Kimberly Matherne from accepting a \$1,000 honorarium from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation Family Self Sufficiency Research Technical Working Group (TWG).

- G23.** Docket No. 19-269
Advisory opinion request as to the propriety of Darlene Landry's use of campaign funds to pay for legal fees she incurred in connection with findings made in a legislative audit report related to actions she took as Assumption Parish Clerk of Court.
- G24.** Docket No. 19-307
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the members of the Livingston Parish Library Board of Control are required to file annual personal financial disclosure statements pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1124.2.1.
- G25.** Docket No. 19-325
Request for an Advisory Opinion from the Monroe Housing Authority (Pop. 48,815) relative to re-hiring a retired employee.
- G26.** Docket No. 19-329
Request for an advisory opinion from Pascha Cater Brown, a candidate for Clerk of Court of Concordia Parish (pop. 20,822) relative to whether she could provide services as a licensed realtor if she should win election as Clerk of Court.
- G27.** Docket No. 19-332
Advisory opinion request regarding whether the French Quarter Management District may provide transportation, lodging and meals to staff members, the Executive Director, an employee of the New Orleans Police Department, and a New Orleans Council member.

Regular Business

- G28.** Docket No. MINUTES
March 2019 Board Minutes
- G29.** Docket No. 13-857
Consent Opinion regarding charges in Docket No. 2013-857 involving Deborah Crowder Loper.
- G30.** Docket No. 19-210
Advisory opinion request regarding 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.
- G31.** Docket No. 19-260
Advisory opinion request by Jonathan Gaspard on behalf of the Avoyelles Water Commission regarding whether there is a conflict of interest with the Avoyelles Water Commission (Commission) having a Certificate of Deposit with the Cottonport Bank while two members of the Commission have immediate family members employed by Cottonport Bank.
- G32.** Docket No. 19-266
Request for an advisory opinion from City Councilman, M. David Freneaux, of the City of Central City Council. (Pop. 26,864) as to whether he can settle a lawsuit he had filed against the City of Central prior to his being elected councilman.
- G33.** 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.

G34. Docket No. DISCLA

Discussion of disclaimer language on opinions drafted for consideration by the Board of Ethics.

G35. Docket No. LEGISLA

Consideration of legislation for the 2019 Regular Legislative Session.

G36. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE**Docket No. chart**

April 2019 Campaign Finance Waiver Chart

Docket No. 18-1538

Request that the Board waive \$1,000, \$400 and \$480 campaign finance late fees assessed against Joyce Burges, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 3, City of Baker, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 30-P, 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 31, 11 and 12 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 19-070

Request that the Board waive the \$320 and \$400 campaign finance late fees assessed against Mervin "Merv" Allen, Jr., a candidate for Member of School Board, District G, Iberville Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 8 and 61 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 19-073

Request that the Board waive the \$720 campaign finance late fee assessed against Sharlous Booker, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 2, City of Baker, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 18 days late.

Docket No. 19-080

Request that the Board waive \$240 and \$400 campaign finance late fees assessed against Raymond L. Gros, Jr., a candidate for Member of School Board, District 7, St. James Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-P and 10-G campaign finance disclosure reports were filed 6 and 12 days late, respectively.

Docket No. 19-268

Request that the Board waive a \$560 campaign finance late fee assessed against Ricky J. Calais, a candidate for Mayor, City of Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 14 days late.

Docket No. 19-271

Request that the Board waive a \$800 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jeffrey Warren, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 2, DeSoto Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 20 days late.

Docket No. 19-272

Request that the Board waive the \$1,920 campaign finance late fee assessed against Burghart Hillary Turner, a candidate for Plaquemines Parish President, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-P campaign finance disclosure report was filed 32 days late.

Docket No. 19-274

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed

against Roger Corcoran, a candidate for Chief of Police, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special (48 hour) campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-276

Request that the Board waive the \$320 campaign finance late fee assessed against Timothy P. Monceaux, a candidate for Mayor, City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 40-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 19-277

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Alferd "Al" Vincent Davis, a candidate for Member of School Board, District H, Rapides Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-279

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

Docket No. 19-280

Request that the Board waive the \$80 campaign finance late fee assessed against Donna Weeks Duvall, a candidate for Mayor, Town of Rosepine, Vernon Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 2 days late.

Docket No. 19-281

Request that the Board consider waiving the \$900 campaign finance late fee assessed against Walter I. "Walt" Lanier, III, a candidate for Judge, Court of Appeal, 1st Circuit, in the November 6, 2018 election, and his committee's chairperson, Christopher H. Riviere, and treasurer, Benjamin Comeaux, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-285

Request that the Board waive a \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Riley Smith, a candidate for Mayor, City of DeQuincy, Calcasieu Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

Docket No. 19-286

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Clarence H. "Sonny" Savoie, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 4, St. Charles Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-287

Request that the Board waive the \$320 campaign finance late fee assessed against Aaron Lee Moak, a candidate for Council Member, District 1, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 19-288

Request that the Board waive the \$480 campaign finance late fee assessed against Despo "D'Ann" Wells, a candidate for Council Member, District 4, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

Docket No. 19-289

Request that the Board waive \$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 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.

Docket No. 19-290

Request that the Board waive a \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Mark "Dave" Freneaux, a candidate for Council Member, District 3, City of Central, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 15 days late.

Docket No. 19-291

Request that the Board waive a \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Tommy Womack, candidate for Councilman, District 5, City of Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

Docket No. 19-292

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Gail Wilking, a candidate for Alderman, Seat A, Town of Ball, Rapides Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-293

Request that the Board waive the \$60 campaign finance late fee assessed against Evelyn Ware-Jackson, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 5, East Baton Rouge Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 1 day late.

Docket No. 19-294

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Marian Jacobs Gonzales, in his capacity as a candidate for Member of School Board, District 1, Avoyelles Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-295

Request that the Board waive a \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Theresa Rohloff, a candidate for Council Member at Large, City of Scott, Lafayette Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, and her committee's treasurer, Clarice M. Gallegos, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-298

Request that the Board waive a \$440 campaign finance late fee assessed against Thomas M. "Tom" Tolar, a candidate for Member of School Board, District B, Tangipahoa Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 11 days late.

Docket No. 19-299

Request that the Board waive the \$960 campaign finance late fee assessed against Jayson Richardson, a candidate for Sheriff, DeSoto Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 16 days late.

Docket No. 19-300

Request that the Board waive the \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Phillip L. Johnson, a candidate for Member of School Board, District 7,

St. John the Baptist Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-301

Request that the Board waive the \$400 campaign finance late fee assessed against Daniel Ray Smith, a candidate for Chief of Police, Town of Olla, LaSalle Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 12 days late.

Docket No. 19-302

Request that the Board waive a \$360 campaign finance late fee assessed against Brannon J. Decou, a candidate for Chief of Police, City of Broussard, Lafayette and St. Martin Parishes, in in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-303

Request that the Board waive the \$80 campaign finance late fee assessed against Charles W. Cummings, in his capacity as a candidate for Alderman, District C, City of Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose Special campaign finance disclosure report was filed 2 days late.

Docket No. 19-304

Request that the Board waive the \$540 campaign finance late fee assessed against Laurie Reis Brister, a candidate for District Judge, 6th Judicial District Court, East Carroll, Madison and Tensas Parishes, in the November 6, 2018 election, whose 10-G campaign finance disclosure report was filed 9 days late.

G37. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

Docket No. 19-230

Request to waive the \$100 late fee assessed against John "Bo" Staples for filing of his January 2019 Expenditure Report 2 days late.

G38. WAIVER REQUESTS - PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Docket No. waiver

April 2019 PFD Waiver Chart.

Docket No. 18-497

Waiver request submitted by Michael Glenn Landrum, former member of the South Burbank Crime Prevention and Development District, regarding \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 annual PFD 304 days late.

Docket No. 19-305

Waiver request submitted by Mr. Scott Alden Couvillion, a former member of the Audubon Area Security District, regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 2 days late.

Docket No. 19-308

Waiver request submitted by Luther Traylor, former member of the St. Tammany Parish Development District, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 42 days late.

Docket No. 19-309

Waiver request submitted by James Norris Bergeron, with the Crab Task Force, regarding a \$850 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 17 days late.

Docket No. 19-310

Waiver request submitted by Eric Liew, former member of the Louisiana Public Facilities Authority, regarding a \$ 450 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 9 days late.

Docket No. 19-311

Waiver request submitted by Myron Little Collins, former member of the State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing her amended 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 135 days late.

Docket No. 19-312

Waiver request submitted by Ronald Hollis "Ronny" Graham, former member of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, regarding a \$1,500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 111 days late.

Docket No. 19-313

Waiver request submitted by Hunter King, former member of the St. Tammany Parish Recreation District /#6, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 165 days late.

Docket No. 19-314

Waiver request submitted by Terry L. Myers, a member of the Louisiana Real Estate Appraisal Board, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 140 days late.

Docket No. 19-315

Waiver request submitted by Mr. Chris Edward Landry, Calcasieu Parish Police Jury/ District 7, regarding a \$2500 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2 annual pfd 37 days late.

Docket No. 19-316

Waiver request submitted by Dexter Quinn Brown, with the St. Landry Parish Council, regarding a \$100 late fee assessed for filing his amended 2017 Tier 2 annual pfd 1 day late.

Docket No. 19-317

Waiver request submitted by Phillip Wayne Tharp, with the Calcasieu Parish Waterworks District, regarding a \$50 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 1day late.

Docket No. 19-318

Waiver request submitted by Eric Paul Hansen, former member of the Shrimp Task Force, regarding a \$ 250 late fee assessed for filing his 2017 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 5 days late.

Docket No. 19-321

Waiver request submitted by Michael D. Robinson, former member of the Louisiana State Arts Council, regarding a \$1500 late fee assessed for filing his 2016 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 382 days late.

G39. WAIVER REQUESTS - RECONSIDERATIONS

Docket No. 18-720

Reconsideration of the Board's suspension of all but \$1050 of the \$1500 late fee assessed against David Charles Bass Jr., former member of the Beauregard Parish Tourist Commission, for filing his 2015 Tier 2.1 annual pfd 348 days late.



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Executive Session

Discussion in Executive Session involving charges issued against C. J. Savoie, II and C.J. Savoie Consulting Engineering in Docket No. 2014-1278.

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GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL

Appearances

GS1. Docket No. 19-491

Advisory opinion request regarding whether the Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit CSRS, Inc.'s (CSRS) ability to respond as a subcontractor to the State of Louisiana, Office of Community Development-Disaster Recovery Unit's ("OCD-DRU") Request for Proposals for Restore Louisiana Program Selected Services (RFP# 107140-055).