Louisiana Board of Ethics

LaSalle Building
First Floor - Griffon Room

April 16, 2010 1:00 p.m.

617 North 3rd Street Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Note: Meetings begin on April 15, 2010 and continue to April 16, 2010.

Election of Vice Chairman for the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Executive Session

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

April 16, 2010 Public Hearings (LaBelle Room) Begin at 9:00 a.m.

G1. Docket No. 04-470

Public hearing to obtain an order against Phillip L. Green ordering him to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of campaign finance disclosure reports.

G2. <u>Docket No. 04-531</u>

Public hearing to obtain an order against Marilyn Mitchell Cain ordering her to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of campaign finance disclosure reports.

G3. Docket No. 04-827

Public hearing to explore charges issued to Deninah Webb-Goodwin, for her failure to file required disclosure reports in connection with September 18, 2004 election.

G4. <u>Docket No. 05-035</u>

Public hearing to obtain an order against Clarence Hunt ordering him to pay his assessed late fees for the late filing of his campaign finance disclosure reports.

G5. <u>Docket No. 05-062</u>

Public hearing to obtain an order against Irna L. Landrum ordering her to pay her an assessed late fee for the late filing of her campaign finance disclosure report.

G6. Docket No. 05-395

Public hearing to obtain an order against Willie James Williams ordering him to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of campaign finance disclosure reports.

G7. Docket No. 06-069

Public hearing to obtain an order against Diedra B. Joseph and Rory E. Verrett ordering them to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of campaign finance disclosure reports.

G8. <u>Docket No. 06-290</u>

Public hearing to explore charges issued to Jason Wesley, for his failure to file required disclosure reports in connection with the September 18, 2004 election.

G9. Docket No. 07-237

Public hearing to explore charges issued to Jason Wesley, for his failure to file required disclosure reports in connection with the September 18, 2004 election.

G10. <u>Docket No. 07-452</u>

Public hearing to explore charges issued to Guy Williams, for his failure to file required disclosure reports in connection with the March 31, 2007 election.

G11. Docket No. 08-297

Consideration of an Application for Rehearing in connection with a \$8,000 Order against Alvin Chris Declouette, an unsuccessful candidate for Representative District 40 in the February 24, 2007 election who has failed to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of campaign finance reports.

G12. <u>Docket No. 08-301</u>

Public hearing to explore charges issued to Jason Wesley, for his failure to file required disclosure reports in connection with the September 18, 2004 election.

G13. Docket No. 08-568

Public hearing to obtain an Order against Walter Willard for failure to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of his February 15, 2008 (ER2) Legislative Lobbyist Expenditure Report.

G14. <u>Docket No. 08-1104</u>

Public hearing to explore charges issued to Bernard Blair, for his failure to file required campaign finance disclosure report in connection with the October 4, 2008 election.

G15. <u>Docket No. 09-163</u>

Public hearing to obtain an order against Richard W. "Rick" Wooley ordering him to pay his assessed late fee for the late filing of his campaign finance disclosure report.

G16. Docket No. 09-216

Public hearing to explore charges issued to Richard Bates, Bernard Blair, Latoya Cantrell, Mark Cockerham, James "Jimmy" Fahrenholtz, Angela Theresa Henderson, and Jason Wesley for their failure to file required campaign finance disclosure reports.

G17. <u>Docket No. 09-849</u>

Public hearing to obtain orders against Adam Ackel and Gail Masters Reimonenq, ordering them to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of campaign finance disclosure reports.

G18. Docket No. 09-875

Consideration of an Application for Rehearing in connection with Johnnie M. Brown.

G19. Docket No. 09-877

Public hearing to obtain an order against Steven C. Stewart who has failed to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of Lobbying Expenditure Reports.

G20. Docket No. 10-003

Public hearing to obtain an Order against the following lobbyist for failure to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of his Executive and/or Legislative Lobbyist Expenditure Reports: Sandra Adams, Terry Bromell, Julie Fusiler, Dannie Garrett, Brace Godfrey III, Charles Lanphier, Eric Lewis, Charlie Smith, Jack Whitehead, and Walter Willard.

G21. Docket No. 10-006

Public hearing to obtain Orders against Shawn Barney and Ray Touchet ordering them to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of campaign disclosure reports.

G22. <u>Docket No. 10-133</u>

Public hearing to obtain an order against John "Sassy" Pourciau who has not paid his assessed campaign finance late fees.

G23. Docket No. 10-134

Public hearing to obtain an order against Ray Touchet who has not paid his assessed campaign finance late fees.

G24. <u>Docket No. 10-135</u>

Public hearing to obtain an order against Baton Rouge Tea Party, who has not paid an assessed campaign finance late fee.

G25. <u>Docket No. 10-196</u>

Public hearing to obtain an Order against Brace Godfrey for failure to pay assessed late fees for the late filing of his Executive and/or Legislative Lobbyist Expenditure Reports.

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GENERAL

Consent Agenda, Consent Opinions &

Items Requiring No Board Action

G26. Docket No. 06-722

Consideration of a consent opinion regarding Anna Simmons, former Mayor of the City of Opelousas, and that Monica Semien, former assistant to the Mayor of the City of Opelousas, receiving payments for food and travel reimbursement from the City of Opelousas and the Corporation for National Service to attend VISTA volunteer training meetings in their public capacity.

G27. Docket No. 08-430

Consideration of a consent opinion regarding Jeffery King, an employee of LSU-Shreveport, entering into a contract with the university for the use of a software program he designed.

G28. Docket No. 08-450

Consideration of a consent opinion concerning Frank Jones, an employee of the Village of Pioneer violating the Ethics Code.

G29. Docket No. 08-451

Consideration of a consent opinion concerning Mickey Carroll, the director of the Richland Parish Hospital Service District entering into a contract to lease an office building to the Hospital's Home Health agency.

G30. Docket No. 08-525

Consideration of a consent opinion regarding the company of the son of an Alderman for the Village of Turkey Creek transacting business with the Village.

G31. Docket No. 08-963

Consideration of a consent opinion regarding the Mayor of Jonesboro, Leslie Thompson, reprimanding an employee for reporting an alleged crime to the police.

G32. <u>Docket No. 10-131</u>

Consideration of a request to withdraw a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether an employee of the Baton Rouge Area Chamber may serve on the East Baton Rouge Mortgage Finance Authority Board of Trustees.

G33. <u>Docket No. 10-164</u>

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether a member of the St. Charles Parish School Board may become a partner in a company that has an owner which owns another company which may transact business with the St. Charles Parish School Board.

G34. <u>Docket No. 10-202</u>

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether Kimberly Bardell, an employee of the Department of Social Services (DSS), may become a board member of the Urban Restoration Enhancement Corporation (UREC).

G35. Docket No. 10-205

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether the immediate family members of B.J. Clark, Supervisor with the Denham Springs Sewer Department, may bid on sanitary sewer projects.

G36. <u>Docket No. 10-217</u>

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether Carla Maynard, employee of the Department of Transportation, may supply and maintain construction signs for projects not funded with state or federal dollars.

G37. Docket No. 10-220

Consideration of an advisory opinion request concerning Jefferson Parish Councilman, Byron Lee, obtaining residential building permits on behalf of his clients before the Jefferson Parish Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement.

G38. <u>Docket No. 10-224</u>

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether a Engineering Technician 5 for the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) may be promoted to Engineering Technician 7 when his brother-in-law would be a direct supervisor.

G39. Docket No. 10-225

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether the son of the Chief of Staff for the City of Pineville may accept employment in the City of Pineville Public Works Department.

G40. <u>Docket No. 10-228</u>

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion concerning Naomi DeVoe, and employee of the Springs of Recover Adolescent Program performing contractual services for IPH, Inc.

G41. Docket No. 10-229

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion concerning the West Baton Rouge Parish Fire Protection members filing financial disclosure reports.

G42. Docket No. 10-235

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding the propriety of Tim Hebert, an IT Management Supervisor for the LA Department of Revenue, providing services to other state agencies.

G43. Docket No. 10-238

Consideration of an advisory opinion regarding whether a former member of the Plaquemines Parish Civil Service Commission, Dominick Scandurro, Jr., may volunteer his services and serve as a hearing officer for the Parish.

G44. Docket No. 10-246

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding potential ethics issues regarding several candidates who may be elected to the Town Council for the Town of Merryville.

G45. <u>Docket No. 10-247</u>

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether city units may be refueled at a store owned by a Salvador Mike, Jr., a Captain with Hammond Police Department.

G46. <u>Docket No. 10-250</u>

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether Jack Travis, an employee of Office of Risk Management, Loss Prevention section, may teach defensive driving classes for a private company.

G47. Docket No. 10-252

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether a mechanic shop owned by the son of a former employee of the St. Landry Parish School Board may transact business with the school board.

G48. Docket No. 10-253

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether the members of the Medical Care Advisory Committee are subject to the Code of Governmental Ethics.

G49. Docket No. 10-264

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether the Superintendent for the Red River Parish School Board must file a personal financial disclosure statement as the liaison for the Sales Tax Agency and Tourist Commission.

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Regular Business

G50. Approval of the minutes from the Louisiana Board of Ethics March 18-19, 2010 meeting.

G51. Docket No. 10-222

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding Caroline Roemer Shirley's participation as the Executive Director of the Louisiana Charter School Association in matters involving the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) when her brother Charles Roemer, IV is a member of BESE.

G52. Docket No. 10-245

Consideration of a request for an advisory opinion regarding whether a candidate for the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board may continue her employment with the Baton Rouge Transition to Teaching Program if elected.

G53. WAIVER REQUESTS - CAMPAIGN FINANCE Docket No. 10-219

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$60 late fee assessed against Ellen Kovach, a successful candidate for Judge, 24th District Court, Division K, Jefferson Parish, in the October 4, 2008 election whose Supplemental campaign finance report was due February 17, 2010 and was filed 1 day late.

Docket No. 10-242

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$1,200 late fee assessed against Louisiana Horsemen's Alliance, a political committee (PAC) whose PAC monthly report was filed 6 days late.

Docket No. 10-243

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$100 late fee assessed against Stephen Chesnut, an unsuccessful candidate for Judge, Civil District Court, Division J, Orleans Parish in the February 6, 2010 election whose 10-P report was due January 27, 2010 and was filed 1 day late.

Docket No. 10-255

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$360 late fee assessed against Jonathan Stewart, a successful candidate for District Attorney, 2nd District, Bienville Parish in the October 4, 2008 election whose Supplemental report was due February 17, 2010 and was filed 6 days late.

Docket No. 10-256

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$900 late fee assessed against Tommie Vassel, an unsuccessful candidate for Councilmember at Large, Orleans Parish in the October 20, 2007 election whose Supplemental report was due February 17, 2010 and was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 10-257

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$1,600 late fee assessed against United Association Local 247, a political action committee (PAC) whose Annual report was filed 8 days late.

Docket No. 10-258

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$900 late fee assessed against William Gant, an unsuccessful candidate for Councilmember at Large, Orleans Parish in the February 6, 2010 election whose Election Day Expenditure campaign finance report (EDE-P) was due February 16, 2010 and was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 10-259

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$600 and \$600 late fees assessed against Eliana DeFrancesch, a successful candidate for Clerk of Court, Orleans Parish in the October 23, 1999 and October 4, 2008 elections whose Supplemental campaign finance reports were due February 17, 2010 and were filed 13 days late.

Docket No. 10-260

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$900 late fee assessed against Thomas A. Lambert, an unsuccessful candidate for Mayor, Orleans Parish in the February 6, 2010 election whose Election Day Expenditure campaign finance report (EDE-P) was due February 16, 2010 and was filed 9 days late.

Docket No. 10-261

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$100 late fee assessed against Jacquelyn Clarkson, a successful candidate for Orleans Parish Councilmember at Large in the February 6, 2010 election whose thirtieth day prior to the primary election campaign finance report (30-P) was due January 7, 2010 and was filed 1 day late.

G54. WAIVER REQUESTS - LOBBYING

Docket No. 10-208

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$50 late fee assessed against Yolanda Barton, for failure to timely file a Legislative ER-12/09 lobbying report.

Docket No. 10-231

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$50 and \$50 late fees assessed against Chuck Brown, for failure to timely file a Legislative and Executive ER-12/09 lobbying report.

Docket No. 10-232

Consideration of a request that the Board waive the \$50 and \$50 late fees assessed against Perry Franklin, for failure to timely file a Legislative and Executive ER-12/09 lobbying report.

G55. Consideration of proposed legislation concerning the laws administered by the Louisiana Board of Ethics.