

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
MINUTES
November 21, 2014

The Board of Ethics met on November 21, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the LaBelle Room on the 1st floor of the LaSalle Building located at 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana with Board Members Backhaus, Blewer, Ingrassia, Leggio, McAnelly, Michiels, Monroe and Shelton present. Absent were Board Members Bruneau, Larzelere and Lemke. Also present were the Ethics Administrator, Kathleen Allen; the Executive Secretary, Deborah Grier; and Counsel Tracy Barker, Mike Dupree, Jennifer Land, Suzanne Mooney, Brett Robinson and Haley Williams.

Board Chairman Monroe vacated the Chair and Vice Chairman Blewer assumed the Chair.

Ms. Ann Wise, Director of the Division of Administrative Law, appeared before the Board in connection with the selection of an alternate administrative law judge (ALJ) to serve on Panel B of the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (EAB). Ms. Wise submitted a paper list of names of potential ALJs which were individually torn, folded and randomly drawn from a bowl by the Board's Executive Secretary, Deborah Grier. Following the drawing, Ms. Wise announced that Romaine White will serve as the alternate judge.

Board Chairman Monroe resumed the Chair.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-601 for a waiver of the two (2) \$1,500 late fees assessed against Henry Dean, a member of the Municipal Police Employees Retirement System, for filing his 2011 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 283 days late and his 2012 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 121 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board continued the matter.

Mr. Broderick Bagert, Jr., a former member of the Morris Jefferson Community Charter

School Board, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 14-1035 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against him for filing his 2011 Tier 3 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 304 days late. After hearing from Mr. Bagert, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,000 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics. Board Member Shelton recused herself.

Mr. Barry Ellis, Sr., a Constable for St. John the Baptist Parish, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 14-1177 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against him for filing his 2012 Tier 2 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 217 days late. After hearing from Mr. Ellis, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$2,500 late fee but suspended \$2,000 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

Ms. Faye Colbert, a former member of the Workforce Investment Board, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 14-1184 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against her for filing her 2011 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 347 days late. After hearing from Ms. Colbert, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended \$1,000 conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

Mr. Paul Gibson, a member of the Lafayette Parish Law Library Commission, appeared before the Board in connection with a request in Docket No. 14-1185 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against him for filing his 2012 Tier 2.1 Annual personal financial disclosure statement 165 days late. After hearing from Mr. Gibson, on motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the

Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the Code of Governmental Ethics.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-1094 for a waiver of the \$2,500 and \$900 late fees assessed against Tracey Flemings-Davillier, a candidate for Judge, Criminal District Court, Section B, Orleans Parish in the November 4, 2014 Election, for filing her 180-P and 90-P campaign finance disclosure reports 63 and 9 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter to the December meeting.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the following general consent agenda items:

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take action on items G7-G25 en globo subject to any items being removed from the en globo listing for further discussion. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the staff recommendations on items G7-G25, excluding items G9, G10, G13 and G23, taking the following action:

Allowed the withdrawal of a request for an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1054 regarding the employment of Martha Moore, an employee of the Department of Juvenile Services, by Shoulders of Strength as a mental health therapist, since Ms. Moore is no longer employed with Shoulders of Strength.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1144 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by the City of Central Police Department (CPD) acknowledging donors on items donated to the agency, since the companies and individuals making the donations have no affiliation to individuals that work for the CPD.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1189 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Lucy Watson serving on the St. Mary Parish Library Control Board while her son is an employee of the St. Mary Parish Library System, since Ms. Watson's son has been employed by the St. Mary Parish Library System for longer than one year prior to Ms. Watson becoming the agency head. The Board further advised that Ms. Watson, if appointed to serve on the St. Mary Parish Library Control Board, would be required to recuse herself from voting on any matter in which she knows her son has a substantial economic interest and would also be prohibited from participating in discussion and debate regarding the matter in which she knows her son has a substantial economic interest.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1192 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by the Firefighters' Pension and Relief Fund (Fund) for the City of New Orleans or its trustees having a membership with the Louisiana Trustee Education Council (LATEC), since Section 1121A(1) of the Code of Governmental Ethics applies to post employment restrictions of former public servants who are agency heads and not the agency. Thus, the Fund is not prohibited from contracting with LATEC. The Board further advised that in the event the Fund does not renew its membership, the individual trustees would not be prohibited as well. The Board declined to render an opinion regarding the former trustees due to a lack of standing.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1207 requested by Tabitha Gray of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, concluding that there is no minimum amount of time a person needs to be employed in order for Section 1170 of the Code of Governmental Ethics to apply and that the education training should be received once every calendar year the employee is a public servant. However, a public servant would not be required to receive the hour of education and

training if they leave public employment before ninety days of service in a calendar year.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1208 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by the Bossier Parish School Board purchasing property from a limited liability company, Atkins-Sonnier Family Lands, LLC, owned by Laura Lee Sonnier Leflett, the Assistant Principal of Apollo Elementary School, and her immediate family, since neither the purchase of the property nor the future use of the property by the Bossier Parish School Board would be under the supervision or jurisdiction of Ms. Leflett's agency, Apollo Elementary School. The Board offered no advice or interpretation of La. R.S. 38:2213 or any other provision of Title 38.

Due to lack of standing, declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1209 regarding whether the Assumption Parish Police Jury may create a Federal Programs Committee responsible for hiring the director of that program when that committee represents a "simple majority" of the Police Jury.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1210 concluding the following regarding potential post employment restrictions with respect to Rebecca Lala, a traffic engineer for St. Tammany Parish, in connection with her employment with Neel Schaffer as a consultant,: (1) no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics would be presented by Ms. Lala performing traffic impact analyses (TIAs) through Neel Schaffer as a consultant for another agency within or outside of St. Tammany Parish within two years from the termination of her employment with St. Tammany Parish, since performing TIAs was not part of her job description while employed by St. Tammany Parish. The Board further advised that Ms. Lala would not be prohibited from performing the TIAs for a development within or outside of St. Tammany Parish for a private developer so long as she did not participate in such transaction while employed by St. Tammany Parish; (2) no violation of the

Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Ms. Lala performing other traffic studies or services for other governmental agencies, such as the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) and RPC, within two years following the termination of her employment with St. Tammany Parish so long as she did not participate in those transactions as an employee of St. Tammany Parish or the transactions no longer involve St. Tammany Parish; and, (3) no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics would be presented by Ms. Lala making signage and striping plans and recommendations for developments and roadways within or outside of St. Tammany Parish for two years following the termination of her employment with St. Tammany Parish so long as she did not participate in those transactions as an employee of St. Tammany Parish or those transactions will no longer be submitted to St. Tammany Parish.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1215 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Zheng Zheng Fu, an employee of the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), accepting complimentary admission lodging reasonably related to, and reasonable transportation provided by Precast/prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) and the American Segmental Bridge Institute (ASBI) for conventions and seminars for educational and professional development, since Ms. Fu is being requested to attend the educational and professional development conferences due to her membership on the AASHTO T-10 technical committee which is related to her public service as an assistant bridge designer for the DOTD and so long as PCI and ASBI are not seeking to influence the passage or defeat of legislation by her agency. The Board further advised that an affidavit must be filed with the Board within sixty days after such acceptance of complimentary admission, lodging or transportation to and from the educational or professional development seminars or conferences.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1220 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is provided by the employment of Amy Smith as a Special Education Para-Professional by the LaSalle Parish School Board while her step mother-in-law, Ethel Smith, is employed as the LaSalle Parish Special Education Program Supervisor, since step-children are not included within the definition of immediate family as provided in the Code of Governmental Ethics.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1226 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Valencia Vessel Landry or her husband, Terry C. Landry, Jr., immediate family members of Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr., accepting employment with a state agency excluding the legislative branch or entering into a professional legal services contract with the Office of the State Attorney General so long as the professional services contract is based on the criteria set forth by the Office of Risk Management.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1269 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by William Crates, a former member of the Louisiana Board of Wholesale Drug Distributors (LBWDD), being employed as or appointed to the position of Executive Director for the LBWDD on or after December 21, 2014, since his service on the LBWDD terminated on December 20, 2012 when his successor was appointed and confirmed.

Declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1273 regarding Samuel Schudmak, III, serving as a board member on the Jefferson Parish Finance Authority (JPFA) and as a traffic hearing officer (THO) for the First Parish Court, since the request pertained to the laws of dual office holding. The Board further instructed the staff to recommend that Mr. Schudmak seek advice from the Attorney General.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1283 concluding that Section 1113 of the

Code of Governmental Ethics would prohibit a business owned by the brother-in-law of Wendy Allbritton, the Olla Town Clerk, from servicing vehicles owned and operated by the Town of Olla, in LaSalle Parish, since Ms. Allbritton's agency is the Town of Olla.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1284 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Maggie McWilliams, an employee of the Health Standards Section (HSS) of the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH), working as a consultant with hospital facilities and other units as long as she did not participate in those transactions while employed by HHS within DHH as a program manager. The Board further advised that Section 1121B(1) of the Code of Governmental Ethics prohibits Ms. McWilliams from accepting compensation only pertaining to the transactions she participated involving Louisiana while employed by HHS within DHH.

Deferred to the December meeting, a request for an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1145 regarding whether Caddo Parish can enter into a professional services contract with Swag Nation if a member of the Caddo Parish Commission also serves on Swag Nation's Board of Directors; whether such commissioner can serve on or chair the subcommittee that makes recommendations regarding the contract; and whether such commissioner must disqualify himself from any vote regarding the contract.

Declined to render an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1149 regarding the legality of a political contribution made by the Gonzales City Attorney to "Save Gonzales", a committee organized to promote the recall of two members of the Gonzales City Council, since the question submitted involved past conduct because the political contribution has already been made.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1194 concluding that no violation of the Code

of Governmental Ethics is presented by Jason Guidry and Cory Vincent continuing in their capacities as volunteer firemen and auxiliary police officers for the Town of Lake Arthur if their business, Gotta Potty, LLC, transacts business with the Town of Lake Arthur, since the Police Department and the Fire Department are considered separate agencies from the Town of Lake Arthur.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1279 concluding that no violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics is presented by Vincent Russo, an employee of the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), seeking employment with an engineering consultant firm or as an independent contractor provided he only receives compensation for his services on new projects that he did not participate in while he was employed with DOTD. The Board further cautioned that within two years of the termination of his public service, Mr. Russo is prohibited by Section 1121 of the Code of Governmental Ethics from receiving any compensation for services rendered on any project in which he participated in while employed by DOTD.

Adopted an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1285 regarding post employment restrictions applicable to Michael Vince following his retirement as an environmental scientist from the Air Permits Division (APD) of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) concluding the following:

(1) Will Mr. Vince be able to contract with the Federal Environmental Protections Agency (EPA), multi-jurisdictional agencies, and other entities to support voluntary emission reductions activities? Would he be prohibited from being a presenter for a voluntary webinar as an EPA contractor in which a Louisiana community participates?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from contracting as a nationwide facilitator or local resource with the EPA, multi-jurisdictional agencies, and other entities to further the EPA's advance program communications and program development so long as these entities are governmental entities or agencies thereof excluding the APD. Mr. Vince would be prohibited from

receiving compensation for assisting another person in any transactions that he participated in while working for the State of Louisiana.

(2) Will Mr. Vincent be able to serve as a direct contractor of a local air quality coalition, metropolitan planning organization, or other local organization that is not yet established to support local air quality activities?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from contracting with a local air quality coalition, metropolitan planning organization, or other local organization that is not yet established so long as these entities are governmental entities or agencies and not within the definition of person defined in La. R.S. 42:1102(16). However, Mr. Vince would be prohibited from receiving compensation for assisting another person in any transactions that he participated in while working for the State of Louisiana.

(3) Will Mr. Vince be able to provide contract work for another state agency, parish agency, or local municipal agency relative to air quality improvement projects including and not limited to clean fuels or the Louisiana Clean Cities Program?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from providing contract work for another state agency other than the APD, parish agency, or local municipal agency relative to air quality improvement projects including and not limited to clean fuels or the Louisiana Clean Cities Program as these are governmental agencies or agencies thereof and not within the definition of person defined in La. R.S. 42:1102(16).

(4) Will Mr. Vince be able to serve as a facilitator for a local community advisory panel to foster improved relations between industry and the public by setting up meetings, requesting speakers and facilitating the meetings between facilities holding DEQ operating permits and the citizens who live around those facilities?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from serving as a facilitator for a local community advisory panel so long as he did not participate in these transactions while employed by Louisiana. According to the information provided, fostering improved relations between industry and the public by setting up meetings, requesting speakers and facilitating the meetings between facilities holding DEQ operating permits and the citizens who live around those facilities was not within his job functions or description with DEQ.

(5) Will Mr. Vince be able to serve as a contractor to a local, regional, or national environmental group which may include working with DEQ to reach

resolution on issues?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from providing contract work with a local, regional, or national environmental group so long as he does not render any service which he rendered during his public employment with APD on a contractual basis back to APD, regardless of the parties to the contract, to, for, or on behalf of the APD as La. R.S. 42:1121B(1) specifies. However, Mr. Vince would be prohibited from receiving compensation for assisting the groups in any transactions in which he participated while working for the State of Louisiana.

(6) Will Mr. Vince be able to assist environmental consulting firms or facilities regulated by DEQ in projects that support permit development, public relations, and general air quality topics?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from assisting environmental consulting firms or facilities regulated by DEQ in projects that support permit development, public relations, and general air quality topics so long as he does not render any service which he rendered during his public employment with APD on a contractual basis back to APD, regardless of the parties to the contract, to, for, or on behalf of the APD as La. R.S. 42:1121B(1) specifies. However, Mr. Vince would be prohibited from receiving compensation for assisting the firms and facilities in any transactions that he participated in while working for the State of Louisiana.

(7) Will Mr. Vince be able to assist environmental consulting firms or facilities located outside of Louisiana with projects that support permit development, public relations, and general air quality topics?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from contracting with environmental consulting firms or facilities located outside of Louisiana with projects that support permit development, public relations, and general air quality topics so long as he does not render any service which he rendered during his public employment with APD on a contractual basis back to APD, regardless of the parties to the contract, to, for, or on behalf of the APD as La. R.S. 42:1121B(1) specifies. However, Mr. Vince would be prohibited from receiving compensation for assisting the firms and facilities in any transactions that he participated in while working for the State of Louisiana.

(8) Will Mr. Vince be able to work with news media as a volunteer or for pay to advocate practices that lead to improved air quality both within and outside of Louisiana?

The Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mr. Vince from working with news media as a volunteer or for pay to advocate practices that lead to improved air quality both within and outside Louisiana so long as it is not on behalf of APD directly or through any other contract regardless of the parties to or for the contract as this was within his job description with APD that he provided.

The Board considered the following general business agenda items:

On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board approved the minutes of the October 14-17, 2014 meetings.

Mr. John Davillier, Chairperson/Treasurer of Citizens to Elect Tracy Flemings-Davillier, appeared before the Board, in its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, in connection with a request in Docket No. 14-1094 for a waiver of the \$2,500 and \$900 late fees assessed against Tracey Flemings-Davillier, a candidate for Judge, Criminal District Court, Section B, Orleans Parish in the November 4, 2014 Election, for filing her 180-P and 90-P campaign finance disclosure reports 63 and 9 days late. After hearing from Mr. Davillier, on motion made, seconded and passed by a vote of 7 yeas by Board Members Backhaus, Ingrassia, Leggio, McAnelly, Michiels, Monroe and Shelton and 1 nay by Board Member Blewer, the Board declined to waive the \$2,500 late fee in connection with the 180-P report but suspended \$2,200 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act and declined to waive the \$900 late fee in connection with the 90-P report.

The Board considered a proposed consent opinion in Docket No. 07-800 regarding Michael Petitto, former Tangipahoa Parish Councilman, participating in a transaction before the Council in which his brother, Sal Petitto, had a substantial economic interest. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted for publication the consent opinion in which Michael Petitto, in his capacity as a member of the Tangipahoa Parish Council, agrees that a violation of Section

1112B(1) of the Code of Governmental Ethics occurred by participating in transactions involving Tangipahoa Parish in which his brother, Salvador Petitto, had a substantial economic interest and in which no civil penalty is to be imposed as Mr. Petitto has paid a criminal penalty in the amount of \$10,000 for criminal violations that arose from his violations of provisions of the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a proposed consent opinion in Docket No. 13-1684 regarding Jessica Williamson, a former employee of the Department of Natural Resources, claiming wages over a period of time for hours not actually worked during the regular work day. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted for publication the consent opinion in which Jessica Williamson, in her capacity as a former employee of the Department of Natural Resources, agrees that a violation of Section 1111A of the Code of Governmental Ethics occurred by her receipt of wages for 978.7 hours for which she did not work and was not duly entitled to receive totaling \$23,952.54 and in which Ms. Williamson agrees to pay a fine of \$500.

The Board considered a request for an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1287 regarding whether David Peralta, St. Bernard Parish President, may accept private donations to pay legal expenses he incurred due to a recent criminal indictment. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board concluded that Section 1111A(1) of the Code of Governmental Ethics prohibits a public servant from receiving any thing of economic value, other than compensation and benefits from the governmental entity to which he is duly entitled, for the performance of the duties and responsibilities of his office and position; Section 1115A of the Code of Governmental Ethics prohibits a public servant from receiving any thing of economic value from a person that (1) has, or is seeking to have, a business, contractual or other financial relationship with the public servant's

agency; or (2) is seeking, for compensation, to influence the passage or defeat of legislation by the public servant's agency; and Section 1115B of the Code of Governmental Ethics further prohibits a public servant from soliciting or accepting, directly or indirectly, any thing of economic value from any person that (1) conducts operations or activities which are regulated by the public servant's agency; or (2) has substantial economic interests which may be substantially affected by the performance or nonperformance of the public servant's official duty. Therefore, Mr. Peralta may receive private donations to pay legal expenses incurred due to his criminal indictment if it is not prohibited by Sections 1111A(1) and 1115A of the Code of Governmental Ethics.

The Board considered a request for an advisory opinion in Docket No. 14-1307 regarding whether a proposed sewer line that would run through property owned by Mayor Wilson Viator, City of Youngsville, would be in violation of the Code of Governmental Ethics. On motion made, seconded and passed by a vote of 5 yeas by Board Members Blewer, Ingrassia, McAnelly, Michiels and Monroe and 3 nays by Board Members Backhaus, Leggio and Shelton, the Board concluded that the Code of Governmental Ethics would not prohibit Mayor Viator from donating funds to the City of Youngsville as a portion of the costs associated with the proposed sewer line that would run through his property.

Board Chairman Monroe vacated the Chair and Vice Chairman Blewer assumed the Chair.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board unanimously agreed to take action on the requests for “good cause” waivers of late fees assessed against candidates included in the Campaign Finance Waiver Chart en globo subject to any items being removed from the en globo listing for further discussion. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the staff recommendations on the items in the Campaign

Finance Waiver Chart, excluding Docket Nos. 14-1061 and 14-1094, taking the following action:

The Board unanimously declined to waive the late fees assessed against the following:

Docket No. 14-987 from Juanita Woods of three (3) \$1,000 late fees;
Docket No. 14-1231 from Taetrece Harrison of a \$1,300 late fee; and,
Docket No. 14-1235 from Adrian Talbot of a \$360 late fee and a \$2,000 late fee.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-1096 for a waiver of the \$700 late fee assessed against Gary Landrieu, a candidate for Councilman at Large, Orleans Parish, in the March 24, 2012 election, for filing his 2013 Supplemental campaign finance disclosure report 7 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$700 late fee but suspended \$400 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-1232 for a waiver of the \$400 late fee assessed against Chad Jeansonne, a candidate for Chief of Police, City of Bunkie, Avoyelles Parish, in the April 5, 2014 election, for filing his 10-G campaign finance disclosure report 121 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$400 late fee but suspended \$300 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-1061 for a waiver of the \$2,500 late fee assessed against Raymond S. Childress, a candidate for District Judge, 22nd JDC, St. Tammany Parish, in the November 4, 2014 election for filing his 2013 Annual campaign finance disclosure report 179 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board deferred the matter to the December meeting.

Chairman Monroe resumed the Chair.

The Board unanimously agreed to take action on the items contained in the Lobbyist Disclosure Waiver Chart en globo subject to any items being removed from the en globo listing for further discussion. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the staff recommendations on the items in the Lobbyist Disclosure Waiver Chart taking the following action:

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-1237 for a waiver of the \$550 late fee assessed against Gerald Simmons for failure to file a Supplemental registration report. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$550 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the Lobbyist Disclosure Act.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-1238 for a waiver of the \$500 late fee assessed against David Rush for failure to file a Supplemental registration report. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board rescinded the \$500 late fee, since Mr. Rush provided proof of timely filing.

The Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-1289 for a waiver of the \$1,500 late fee assessed against Myron Lambert for failure to timely file his May 2013 Lobbyist Expenditure report. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$1,500 late fee but suspended the entire late fee conditioned upon future compliance with the Lobbyist Disclosure Act.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered an untimely request in Docket No. 14-1230 for a waiver of the \$280 and \$100 late fees assessed against Alice Horton, a candidate for Councilman, District F, City of Shreveport, Bossier and Caddo Parish in the September 30, 2006 election, for filing her 10-P and EDE-P campaign

finance disclosure reports 7 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the late fees totaling \$380 but suspended the late fees conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

In its capacity as the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, the Board considered a request in Docket No. 14-954 for reconsideration of a waiver of the \$2,600 late fee assessed against Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus PAC, Herbert Dixon, Chairman, and Regina Barrow, Treasurer, for filing the May Monthly campaign finance disclosure report 13 days late. On motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board declined to waive the \$2,600 late fee but suspended \$2,100 conditioned upon future compliance with the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act.

The Board unanimously adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Secretary

APPROVED:

Chairman