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**Cc:** Scott Wilson (District 4); Kathleen Allen  
**Subject:** La. Board of Ethics Advisory Opinion Request (No. 2020-696)  
**Attachments:** 2018 Revised BRPD Organizational Chart 1-18-18 Signed.pdf; ATT00001.htm; police newman let 2.docx; ATT00002.htm; reserve policy.pdf; ATT00003.htm; newman reserve letter.pdf; ATT00004.htm

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We spoke Friday as we believed the BRPD would be withdrawing the request for the contract with Mr. Newman. However, we have just been informed that they will be going forward with the request. Therefore, I am responding to your request. Everyone understands you may not be able to render the opinion at the meeting this week. We appreciate your efforts.

Attached is the BRPD Organization chart. I have also attached a letter from Mr. Newman explaining his prior employment and the grant. The person Mr. Newman would be working with is Neal Noel who can be reached at 225-389-5221. His cell is 225-268-0087.

However, another matter has come to our attention. Mr. Newman was appointed as a reserve officer recently. No one disclosed that to us while we were gathering info to issue our internal opinion or assist in sending the matter to the Ethics Commission. Attached is the letter appointing him and the reserve policy. While reserve officers are not compensated for their mandated reserve hours they are paid for any part-time hours worked on extra duty assignments. When asked about the appointment Mr. Newman indicated he had not yet "worked" any hours and would resign before doing so. My concern is that because of his appointment as a reserve officer by the Police Chief he now fits the Ethics Code definition of employee which is not dependent upon compensation. Further, while his prior employment was limited to Uniform Patrol the "agency" for this reserve appointment may be the BRPD instead of a limited Division of Uniform Patrol. Please let me know how I can be of further assistance.

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Ms. Guillot,

The Board of Ethics received the attached advisory opinion request from Councilman Scott Wilson regarding the awarding of a contract to former BRPD employee Kevin Newman. I'm hoping you can help me with some information (or point me to the right person) so that we can have the Board consider it at the meeting on Friday, Oct. 1.

1. Can you send me a BRPD organization chart that shows where Mr. Newman was employed?
2. From his resume, it looks like Mr. Newman was involved in Patrol Operations. Do you know if the new contract services would involve these same patrol operations?
3. Who would Mr. Newman be interacting with at BRPD as part of the contract?
4. Would Mr. Newman's duties have included any of the same community based crime reduction services he's proposing to provide?

Any insight you can give me is appreciated.

Thanks,

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