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**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL NO. 70200640000079867677**
Mr. Lester Smith
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RE: *In the Matter of Lester Smith*
DOCKET NO. 2020-5600-ETHICS-A
Agency Tracking No.: 5120-030

Mr. Smith:

On November 4, 2020, a hearing was conducted wherein the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (the "EAB") determined that your 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosure reports in connection with the October 12, 2019 election are more than 6 days late, and ordered that the Louisiana Board of Ethics (the "Board") is authorized to impose upon you additional civil penalties as allowed by La. R.S. 18:1505.4(A)(4)(a). Further, the EAB determined that your 10-G campaign finance disclosure report in connection with the October 12, 2019 election is more than 11 days late, and ordered that the Board is authorized to impose upon you additional civil penalties as allowed by La. R.S. 18:1505.4(A)(4)(b).

La. R.S. 18:1505.4(A)(4)(a) and La. R.S. 18:1505.4(A)(4)(b) provide that if, after conducting an adjudicatory hearing, the EAB determines that a candidate failed to file the required campaign finance disclosure reports more than 6 or 11 days late, respectively, the Board, functioning as the Supervisory Committee under the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, may impose upon the candidate additional penalties not to exceed $10,000 per report.

This letter is to give you notice that this matter will be considered by the Board at its May 7, 2021 meeting for the assessment of an additional $10,000 for each report pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4(A)(4)(a) and La. R.S. 18:1505.4(A)(4)(b). The meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on May 7, 2021 in the LaSalle Building, LaBelle Room, 617 North Third Street, First Floor, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Please contact me at (225) 219-5600 or (800) 842-6630 if you would like to make an appearance at the May 7, 2021 meeting or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
**LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS**

Charles E. Reeves, Jr.
Staff Attorney