

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This agreement is made and entered into between the Executive Branch Ethics Commission (hereinafter the “Commission”) and Brian Wright.

WHEREAS, this agreement involves the matter styled *Executive Branch Ethics Commission v. Brian Wright*, Agency Case No. 14-021;

WHEREAS, the Commission is designated by statute as the agency responsible for enforcing the Executive Branch Code of Ethics, KRS Chapter 11A;

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2014, the Commission alleged facts in an Initiating Order that Brian Wright violated the Executive Branch Code of Ethics at KRS 11A.020(1)(a), (b), (c) and (d), KRS 11A.020(2), and KRS 11A.040(2);

WHEREAS, Brian Wright was at all relevant times mentioned in the Initiating Order a “public servant” as defined in KRS 11A.010(9), and thus is subject to the Executive Branch Code of Ethics;

WHEREAS, Brian Wright indicates his desire to resolve all issues in this action by the execution of a Settlement Agreement;

WHEREAS, Brian Wright has been criminally charged in state court stemming from some of the conduct that is the subject-matter of the above-referenced administrative proceedings;

WHEREAS, Brian Wright has accepted a plea and entered an admission of guilt for criminal misdemeanor charges in state court, which includes agreeing to serve a minimum of 60 days detention, which has been suspended for two years pending no future arrests, and was fined approximately \$300 and required to pay court costs;

WHEREAS, Brian Wright has resigned from his public service with prejudice, resulting in a loss of his accumulated annual leave, valued at \$4,174.94.

NOW, THEREFORE, in settlement of the above allegations, the Commission and Brian Wright agree, pursuant to KRS 11A.100, as follows:

1. Brian Wright admits that he committed violations of the Executive Branch Code of Ethics at KRS 11A.020(1)(a), (b), (c) and (d), KRS 11A.020(2), KRS 11A.040(2), as stated in Appendix A of the Commission’s Initiating Order of September 15, 2014, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

2. Brian Wright agrees to pay the Commission a civil penalty of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), which will be offset on a dollar-for-dollar

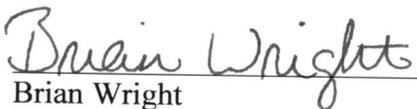
basis by the leave time that Wright forfeited to the Commonwealth of Kentucky when he agreed to resign with prejudice.

3. Brian Wright agrees, upon the Commission accepting the Settlement Agreement and entering the Final Order, that he waives all rights to any further administrative process or appeal pursuant to KRS 13B.140 thereon.

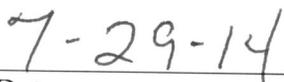
4. The parties further agree that the acceptance of this Settlement Agreement by both parties, and the fulfillment of its express terms, is in full accord and satisfaction of the herein referenced *Executive Branch Ethics Commission v. Brian Wright*, Agency Case No. 14-0201.

5. This Settlement Agreement constitutes a public reprimand to Brian Wright, a copy of which will be provided to his former appointing authority pursuant to KRS 11A.100(3)(c).

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the respondent has caused this agreement to be executed:



Brian Wright



Date

WHEREFORE, the EXECUTIVE BRANCH ETHICS COMMISSION has approved and executed this settlement agreement.

ENTERED: September 15, 2014



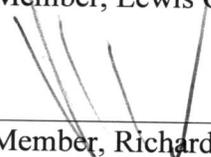
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