

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This agreement made and entered into between the Executive Branch Ethics Commission (hereinafter the “Commission”) and Kurt Godshall.

WHEREAS, this agreement involves the matter styled *Executive Branch Ethics Commission v. Kurt Godshall*, Case No. 19-006;

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

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2019, the Commission alleged facts in an Initiating Order that Kurt Godshall violated the Executive Branch Code of Ethics codified at KRS 11A.040(9);

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

WHEREAS, Kurt Godshall indicates his desire to resolve all issues in this action by the execution of a Settlement Agreement.

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

1. Kurt Godshall does not admit that he committed one count in violation of the Executive Branch Code of Ethics codified at KRS 11A.040(9) as stated in the Appendix A to the Commission’s Initiating Order of March 18, 2019, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, but agrees that he will not contest these charges for the purposes of settling this matter.

2. Kurt Godshall agrees to pay the Commission a civil penalty of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) concurrent with entering this settlement agreement.

3. Kurt Godshall agrees 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. Kurt Godshall*, Case No. 19-006.

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

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have caused this agreement to be executed:

Kurt Godshall
Kurt Godshall

3/4/2019
Date

Melanie Kilpatrick
Melanie Kilpatrick, Counsel for Kurt Godshall

3/5/19
Date

EXECUTIVE BRANCH ETHICS COMMISSION:

C. Thacker
Christopher L. Thacker, Chair

3-18-19

Date

Christopher W. Brooker
Christopher W. Brooker, Vice-Chair

3-18-19

Date

April A. Wimberg
April A. Wimberg, Member

3-18-19

Date

Holly R. Iaccarino
Holly R. Iaccarino, Member

3-18-19

Date

Absent
Kyle M. Winslow, Member

3-18-19

Date