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FRANKFORT, KY – At its September 17, 2025 meeting, the Executive Branch Ethics Commission (“the Commission”) found Charity L. Dersheimer of Utica, Kentucky, in violation of KRS Chapter 11A, the Executive Branch Code of Ethics.

In a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission, Charity L. Dersheimer admitted to one (1) count of violating the Code of Ethics, KRS 11A.020(1)(a) and (d). Specifically, Ms. Dersheimer while employed as an Administrative Specialist I, Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, engaged in an inappropriate sexual relationship with a probationer under the supervision of the office where she was employed. Ms. Dersheimer’s conduct created a conflict between her personal interest and her public duties, wherein she used her position to create exemptions and treatment for herself in derogation to the public interest at large.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Charity L. Dersheimer agreed to pay a \$1,000.00 civil penalty, receive a public reprimand, and waive any right to appeal. The Commission concluded the matter by adopting an Agreed Final Order.