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FRANKFORT, KY – At its July 16, 2025 meeting, the Executive Branch Ethics Commission ("the Commission") found Javin Butler-Roberts of Evansville, Indiana, in violation of KRS Chapter 11A, the Executive Branch Code of Ethics.

In a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission, Javin Butler-Roberts admitted to two (2) counts of violating the Code of Ethics, KRS 11A.020(1)(a) and (d). Specifically, from January 2022 through April 2022, while employed as a Probation Officer, Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, Mr. Butler-Roberts engaged in inappropriate sexual communications with three probationers under his supervision. He did so to suit his own prurient interests, in conflict with his duties as a public servant, and in derogation of the public interest at large.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Javin Butler-Roberts agreed to pay a \$3,000.00 civil penalty, receive a public reprimand, and waive any right to appeal. The Commission concluded the matter by issuing an Agreed Final Order.