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FRANKFORT, KY – At its March 12, 2025 meeting, the Executive Branch Ethics Commission (“the Commission”) found Jeffrey T. Pettyjohn, Russell Springs, Kentucky, in violation of KRS Chapter 11A, the Executive Branch Code of Ethics.

In a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission, Jeffrey T. Pettyjohn admitted violating three (3) counts of the Code of Ethics, KRS 11A.020(d) and KRS 11A.045(1). Specifically, on March 26, 2024, while employed as a Roadside Environment District Administrator, Roadside Environment Section, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Pettyjohn, a public servant, accepted a dinner at Jeff Ruby’s Steakhouse paid for by a prohibited source, brought a guest, and then claimed it on a state travel voucher.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Jeffrey T. Pettyjohn agreed to pay a \$1,500.00 civil penalty, receive a public reprimand, and waive any right to appeal. The Commission concluded the matter by issuing an Agreed Final Order.