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FRANKFORT, KY – Yesterday, the Executive Branch Ethics Commission found JOSEPH SANDERS of Salvisa, Kentucky, in violation of KRS Chapter 11A, the Executive Branch Code of Ethics.

In a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission, Mr. Sanders admitted to two (2) counts of violating the Code of Ethics and admitted to using his access to a state vehicle and state time to travel to a medical appointment for personal reasons. Further, Mr. Sanders admitted to using his access to a state vehicle and state time to travel to a private business to spend approximately 13 hours over a two-week period socializing with employees of the business when Sanders had no work-related reason for being at the business or remaining at the business for hours at a time.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Mr. Sanders paid a \$4,000 civil penalty. The Commission concluded the matter by issuing a Final Order.