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FRANKFORT, KY – At its May 14, 2025 meeting, the Executive Branch Ethics Commission ("the Commission") found Sean Wells, Versailles, Kentucky, in violation of KRS Chapter 11A, the Executive Branch Code of Ethics.

In a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission, Sean Wells admitted violating one (1) count of the Code of Ethics, KRS 11A.020(1)(a) and (d). Specifically, between 2022 and 2023 while employed as a Corrections Officer with the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, Sean Wells misused a state office on state time for his own prurient interests by having sexual contact with a colleague in conflict with his duties as a Correctional Officer and in derogation of the public interest at large.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Sean Wells agreed to pay a \$2,000.00 civil penalty, receive a public reprimand, and waive any right to appeal. The Commission concluded the matter by issuing an Agreed Final Order.