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**Ray A. Perry**  
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October 31, 2024

***SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED TO:***  
**Anthony Meece**



**RE: 2024-LPC-00009 & 2024-LPC-00035 KBLPC vs. Anthony Lee Meece**

Dear Mr. Meece,

At its regularly scheduled meeting on September 20, 2024, the Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors (the "Board") determined that Complaint Nos. 2024-LPC-00009 and 2024-LPC-00035 warranted the issuance of a formal administrative complaint to revoke your license for five (5) years in light of your criminal convictions in Pulaski Circuit Court, Case Nos. 23-CR-457 and 24-CR-183.

However, the Board has authorized me to offer in settlement, in lieu of filing a formal administrative complaint, the attached Agreed Order. Under the terms of this agreement, you would be required to agree to the following sanctions:

1. A three (3) year revocation of your License No. 166349, effective from the date you entered recovery, May 7, 2024, and ending May 7, 2027;
2. Upon any application for reinstatement after the three (3) year period of revocation, provide proof from the Probation Officer to the Board that you remain compliant with all terms and conditions of the plea agreement;
3. That you show evidence of completion of the treatment program with SPARC, including evidence of sobriety; and
4. That you have no new criminal charges.

The Board agrees to:

1. Revoke License No. 166349 for a period of three (3) years;
2. Reinstate License No. 166349 following the three (3) year revocation provided all conditions in Item 1 through 4 above have been met; and
3. Not seek any additional disciplinary action against the Respondent based on the factual allegations set forth in this Agreed Order so long as the Respondent complies with the

terms established herein.

**This offer is not mandatory. If you find this offer acceptable you must respond within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Agreed Order. If we can reach an agreement, it must be presented to the Board for final approval.**

If you decline this offer, the Board will proceed with a formal administrative complaint wherein it will seek a three (3) year revocation of your license. In that event, you would be entitled to a hearing under KRS Chapter 13B. Your hearing rights are outlined in the Agreed Order. If you have any question, please contact me at (502) 782-2709 or [sara.janes@ky.gov](mailto:sara.janes@ky.gov).

Sincerely,

  
Sara Boswell Janes, Board Counsel

Enclosure

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
CASE NO. 2024-LPC-00009 & 2024-LPC-00035

KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSED  
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

PETITIONER

v.

ANTHONY LEE MEECE  
LPCC, License No. 166349

RESPONDENT

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**AGREED ORDER**

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Come now the Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors (hereafter “the Board”) and Anthony Lee Meece (hereafter “Respondent”) (collectively, “the Parties”) and hereby enter into the following Agreed Order:

**STIPULATION OF FACTS AND LAW**

1. On February 27, 2024, the Board initiated and filed a Notice and Complaint against your LPCC License No. 166349 based upon information in its possession related to the September 26, 2023, criminal charges filed in Indictment No. 24-CR-183, in Pulaski Circuit Court, Cse no. 23-CR-457, for the following: *Criminal Mischief, First Degree, ATT Burglar, Second Degree, Indecent Exposure, Second Degree, Disorderly Conduct, Second Degree, Public Intoxication Controlled Substance (excludes Alcohol – 525.100*. The Board filed said Complaint to determine whether violations of 201 KAR 36:040, Code of Ethics, had occurred.
2. The Respondent was sent Notice of the Complaint to the address listed in his credential file, and the Respondent failed to Respond.
3. On August 9, 2024, the Board initiated and filed Notice of a Complaint against your LPCC

License No. 166349 based upon information in its possession related to the files this complaint based on information in its possession (see attached as Exhibit 1) related to the May 30, 2024, Final Judgment on Entry of Guilty Plea for the offenses of *Criminal Mischief, First Degree in Indictment No. 23-CR-00457, and Possession of a Controlled Substance, First Degree, First Offense (Heroin)* in Indictment Nos. 23-CR-00457 and 24-CR-00183, in Pulaski Circuit Court.

4. On September 1, 2024, you responded to the Complaint via email and admitted to taking the plea agreement for the charges indicated in Paragraph 3. above, which included acceptance of responsibility for these actions and information related to your probation.
5. Pursuant to KRS 335.540(1) and 201 KAR 36:050. Section 1(1)(c) the Board may file a complaint based upon information in its possession, to determine whether violations of KRS 335.500 to 335.599 and 201 KAR Chapter 36 have occurred.
6. For purposes of this Agreed Order, Respondent agrees he accepted a plea of guilty on April 24, 2024, to the offenses of *Criminal Mischief, First Degree in Indictment No. 23-CR-00457, and Possession of a Controlled Substance, First Degree, First Offense (Heroin)* in Indictment No. 24-CR-000183, in Pulaski Circuit Court, where the Court accepted the guilty plea and entered a Final Judgment on May 23, 2024. A copy is incorporated by reference and attached hereto as Exhibit A.
7. According to the Final Judgment, the Respondent was sentenced to five (5) years imprisonment for the offense of Criminal Mischief, First Degree in Indictment No. 23-CR-00457, and one (1) year imprisonment for the offense of Possession of a Controlled Substance, First Degree, First Offense (Heroin) in Indictment No. 24-CR-00183. The five (5) year sentence in Indictment No. 23-CR-00457 and the one (1) year sentence in Indictment No. 24-CR-00183, which will run consecutively to each other for a total sentence of six (6)

years imprisonment. The imposition of the sentence in the indictment is withheld and suspended, and the defendant is placed on supervised probation for a period of five (5) years subject to certain conditions which are contained in Exhibit A. The Board is authorized under KRS 335.515(7), 335.540(1) and 201 KAR 36:050 to take disciplinary action against licensees.

8. Sufficient evidence exists in this matter for the Board to take disciplinary action under KRS 335.540(1), including, but not limited to, the following causes: (a), (e), (g), and (h).
9. The Respondent recognizes there exists sufficient evidence to sustain a disciplinary action in an Administrative Hearing against his license issued pursuant to KRS Chapter 335. The Respondent nevertheless desires to settle this matter in an expeditious manner without resorting to an Administrative Hearing.

#### **VOLUNTARY WAIVER OF RIGHTS**

10. Respondent has at all times relevant to this matter had the opportunity to seek advice from competent legal counsel of his choice. Respondent has not been coerced in any respect to enter into this Agreed Order, nor have any promises been made other than those reflected in this Agreed Order.
11. Respondent freely and voluntarily enters into this Agreed Order for the purposes of resolution of the issues presented herein, and has executed this Agreed Order only after a careful reading and understanding of all of its terms.
12. Respondent understands his right to contest the allegations against him in a formal hearing. He understands he has the right to:
  - a. be represented by an attorney at his own expense;
  - b. a public hearing on any charges or allegations filed;
  - c. confront and cross-examine any witnesses called to testify against him;

- d. present evidence on his own behalf;
- e. compulsory process to secure the attendance of such witnesses;
- f. testify on his own behalf;
- g. receive written findings of fact and conclusions of law supporting the decision on the merits of the allegations made against him; and
- h. appeal any final order of the Board to the Franklin Circuit Court as otherwise allowed by KRS 335.545 and KRS Chapter 13B.

13. Respondent is voluntarily waiving all these rights in exchange for the Board's acceptance of this Agreed Order. Respondent makes this waiver freely and voluntarily.

14. Respondent recognizes that if this matter was to proceed to an Administrative Hearing, there exists sufficient evidence to sustain a disciplinary action against him. Respondent nevertheless desires to settle this matter in an expeditious manner without resorting to an administrative hearing.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

15. Based on the foregoing Stipulation of Facts and Law and based upon Respondent's desire to resolve this matter without a formal Administrative Hearing, the Parties hereby agree to the following terms:

16. Respondent agrees to a three (3) year revocation of LPCC License # 166349, with the effective date of the revocation being May 7, 2024, the date Respondent entered recovery.

17. Respondent agrees and understands that the revocation of his license in accordance with this Agreed Order shall constitute license discipline and shall be recorded as license discipline in Board records and database.

- a. Respondent shall be eligible to apply for reinstatement after a minimum of three (3) years has passed, but no sooner than May 7, 2027, under the following circumstances:

- i. Respondent can show evidence of compliance with the terms of his probation in the Plea Agreement attached as Exhibit A; and,
  - ii. Respondent can show evidence of completion of the treatment program with SPARC, including evidence of sobriety; and
  - iii. Respondent has no new criminal charges.
18. Any violation by Respondent of the terms of this Agreed Order shall be grounds for further action by the Board.
19. Respondent shall execute and return a copy of this Agreed Order to the Board within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Agreed Order or it shall be null and void, and the Board may institute further disciplinary action.

#### **AUTHORITY TO BIND**

20. All Parties and their undersigned representatives warrant and represent that they have the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreed Order and to effectuate the purposes herein, and that this Agreed Order shall be legally binding and enforceable against each Party in accordance with terms of the Agreed Order.

#### **CHOICE OF LAW**

21. This Agreed Order shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Any disputes arising under this Agreed Order shall be resolved in the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Kentucky; the Parties consent and agree to the *in personam* jurisdiction of such Court.

#### **RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

22. In consideration of execution of this Agreed Order, Respondent, together with any of his executors, administrators, agents, successors and assigns, do hereby release and forever discharge the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional

Counselors, the Public Protection Cabinet, and each of their members, agents, and employees in both their individual and representative capacities, of and from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, known or unknown, in law or equity, which Respondent ever had, now has, may have or claim to have against any or all of the entities or persons named in this paragraph arising out of or by reason of this investigation, this Agreed Order, or its administration.

#### **ACCEPTANCE BY THE BOARD**

23. Respondent acknowledges that after he signs this Agreed Order, the Agreed Order shall be presented to the Board with a recommendation for approval from the Board's Counsel at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board following receipt of the executed Agreed Order. Respondent understands the Board is under no obligation to accept or reject this Agreed Order, and hereby waives any right Respondent may have had to challenge, based upon the presentation of this Agreed Order to the Board, the impartiality of the Board to hear an administrative action if this Agreed Order is rejected. If this Agreed Order is rejected by the Board, it shall be regarded as null and void, and of no effect. No statement or term contained in this Agreed Order will be regarded as evidence in any subsequent disciplinary hearing, nor shall any inference be taken from Respondent's willingness to enter into this Agreed Order.

#### **OPEN RECORDS**

24. Respondent acknowledges this Agreed Order is subject to disclosure under the Kentucky Open Records Act, may be reportable under Federal law, and may be shared with any professional organization or licensing board as the Board deems appropriate, in its discretion.

#### **COMPLETE AGREEMENT**

25. This Agreed Order embodies the entire agreement between the Parties. It may not be altered, amended, or modified without the express written agreement of both parties. The effective



date of this Agreed Order shall be the date of its approval by the Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, and signed by the Chair of the Board.

**HAVE SEEN AND AGREED:**

Anthony Lee Meece  
Anthony Lee Meece  
Respondent, Pro Se

5/19/25  
Date

Andrea Brooks  
Dr. Andrea Brooks, Chair  
Kentucky Board of Licensed  
Professional Counselors

6/20/2025  
Date

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**ORDER APPROVING AGREED ORDER**

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This matter comes before the Board upon the Respondent's acceptance of the offer of informal settlement pursuant to KRS 335.540(4) and 201 KAR 36:050. Section 4, as evidenced by the signed Agreed Order.

The Board HEREBY ACCEPTS AND ADOPTS the executed AGREED ORDER, and the complaints are hereby DISMISSED so long as the Respondent complies with the terms of the Agreed Order.

SO ORDERED this 20th day of June, <sup>2025</sup>~~2024~~  
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**FULL BOARD CONCURRING.**

Andrea Brooks  
Dr. Andrea Brooks, Chair  
Kentucky Board of Licensed  
Professional Counselors

06/20/2025  
Date

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Agreed Order and Order Approving Agreed Order were mailed this 22 day of April, 2024, by electronic mail, and on the 22 day of April, 2024, mailed by regular first-class mail and to:

Anthony Meece

[REDACTED]

*Respondent*

And via electronic mail to:

Sara Boswell Janes, Staff Attorney III  
[Sara.janes@ky.gov](mailto:Sara.janes@ky.gov)  
*Board Counsel*

  
Board Administrator

I hereby certify that a copy of the Agreed Order and Order Approving Agreed Order were mailed this 24th day of June, 2025, by electronic mail, and on the 25th day of June, 2025, mailed by regular first-class mail and to:

Anthony Meece

[REDACTED]

And via electronic mail to:

Sara Boswell Janes, Staff Attorney III  
[sara.janes@ky.gov](mailto:sara.janes@ky.gov)  
Board Counsel



Board Administrator

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
28<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
PULASKI CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION I**

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INDICTMENT NO. 23-CR-00457 and 24-CR-00183

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

PLAINTIFF

VS.

ANTHONY MEECE

DEFENDANT

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**FINAL JUDGMENT ON ENTRY OF GUILTY PLEA  
AFTER REVIEWING PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORT  
ORDER OF PROBATION**

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The defendant, Anthony Meece, appeared with counsel and entered a plea of guilty on April 25, 2024, to the offenses of **Criminal Mischief, First Degree in Indictment No. 23-CR-00457, and Possession of a Controlled Substance, First Degree, First Offense (Heroin) in Indictment No. 24-CR-00183**. The Court accepted the plea of guilty. The case was scheduled for final sentencing on May 23, 2024.

On May 23, 2024, the defendant, Anthony Meece, appeared before the Court in-person with his attorney, Hon. James Acton, Department of Public Advocacy. The Commonwealth came by Hon. David Bridgeman, Assistant Commonwealth Attorney. The Court inquired of the defendant and his counsel whether they had any legal cause to show why judgment should not be pronounced. The Court afforded the defendant and his counsel an opportunity to make statements on the defendant's behalf and to present any information in mitigation of punishment. The Court considered the nature and circumstances of the crime(s); the defendant's risk and needs assessment; the defendant's history of delinquency or criminality; the defendant's physical and mental condition, family situation and background, education, occupation, and personal habits.

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Assessing these factors, the Court considered release of the defendant on probation, conditional discharge, or alternative sentencing. No sufficient cause was shown why judgment should not be pronounced. As such,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the defendant, Anthony Meece, is sentenced to the following: five (5) years imprisonment for the offense of Criminal Mischief, First Degree in Indictment No. 23-CR-00457, and one (1) year imprisonment for the offense of Possession of a Controlled Substance, First Degree, First Offense (Heroin) in Indictment No. 24-CR-00183. The five (5) year sentence in Indictment No. 23-CR-00457 and the one (1) year sentence in Indictment No. 24-CR-00183, shall run consecutively to each other for a total sentence of six (6) years imprisonment. The imposition of the sentence in the indictment is withheld and suspended, and the defendant is placed on supervised probation for a period of five (5) years subject to the following conditions:

[x] The defendant shall not commit another offense (shall not violate any local, state, or federal law) during the period for which the sentence remains subject to revocation.

[x] If the defendant is arrested, cited to court, or served with a Criminal Summons, Emergency Protective Order, Domestic Violence Order, the defendant shall report the incident to his/her probation officer within 72 hours of the incident. Additionally, if the defendant is questioned by any law enforcement official, the defendant shall report this encounter to his/her probation officer within 72 hours of the occurrence.

[x] The defendant shall report to the probation officer as directed (at least monthly, but subject to modification by the probation officer or the Court).

[x] The defendant shall pay the minimum supervision fee of \$10.00 per month.

[x] The defendant shall not use or possess any alcoholic beverages (or enter any place where they are sold as the primary commodity; i.e. Bars, Nightclubs, Liquor Stores, etc.).

[x] The defendant shall not use or possess any narcotics / controlled substances that are not

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currently prescribed by a licensed physician. If the defendant is currently taking medication

prescribed by a licensed physician, the defendant shall take the medication as prescribed.

[x] The defendant shall submit to alcohol and / or drug testing (and pay for said testing) at the direction of the probation officer.

[x] The defendant shall maintain only one residence and shall not change residence without prior approval of the defendant's probation officer.

[x] The defendant shall work regularly and support the defendant's legal dependents. The defendant shall report to their probation officer any change or loss of employment immediately.

If the defendant is unemployed, the defendant shall make every attempt to obtain bona fide employment.

[x] The probation and parole officer may visit the defendant's residence and place of employment at any time.

[x] The defendant shall not harass or threaten any employee of the Kentucky Department of Corrections.

[x] The defendant agrees to cooperate fully with any Probation Officer or any Peace Officer acting at the direction of a Probation and Parole Officer.

[x] The defendant shall be subject to search and seizure without a warrant if an officer has reasonable suspicion that the defendant may have illegal drugs, alcohol, or other contraband on his/her person or property.

[x] The defendant shall not falsify any written or oral report to any employee of the Kentucky Department of Corrections.

[x] The defendant shall avoid associating with any convicted felon.

[x] The defendant shall not visit residents of jails or prisons unless permission is obtained from the defendant's probation officer, the jail authority, and / or the institutional authority.

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the defendant becomes eligible, the defendant may apply for Restoration of Civil Rights at 2024 10:43:38

Probation and Parole Office. **The Restoration of Civil Rights does not give a convicted felon** 50586/S-69

**the right to purchase, own, or possess a firearm.**

**IT IS ORDERED** that all firearms are to be destroyed or otherwise lawfully disposed of in accordance with KRS 16.220; all illegal contraband shall be destroyed; all property shall be returned to the victims; all other remaining property is to be disposed of by the investigating agency. Any property subject to forfeiture (including cash) is to be held until otherwise ordered by the Court. If there are co-defendants, all items shall be held pending the resolution of all other co-defendants.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the defendant is credited with the time spent in custody prior to the commencement of the sentence on May 23, 2024; custody credit shall be calculated by the Department of Corrections.

Upon the completion of the aforesaid period of probation, the defendant shall be finally discharged provided that the defendant has complied with the above stated conditions, that no warrant issued by this Court is pending against the defendant, and that the defendant's probation has not been revoked.



JUDGE, 28<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Distribution:

Hon. David Dalton [ ]  
Commonwealth Attorney

Hon. James Acton [ ]  
Counsel for Defendant

Div. of Probation and Parole [ ] SPARC [ ]

Clerk of Court \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_