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Agency Case Nos. 2024PSY00005 and 00024  
Administrative Action No. 25-KBEP-016**

**Commonwealth of Kentucky,  
Board of Examiners of Psychology**

**Petitioner**

v.

**Order**

**Teresa Edge, M.S., LPA**

**Respondent**

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The Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology, having met on November 3, 2025,  
and having voted on the above-styled case, hereby adopts and incorporates the attached  
Settlement Agreement as a Board Order.

**It is so ordered.**

Dated this 3rd day of November, 2025.

**Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology**

By:   
Harwell Smith, Ph.D., Chair

**Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Order and Settlement Agreement was served by e-mail or was mailed by first-class, postage prepaid as indicated below, this 4th day of November, 2025, to:

Teresa Edge, M.S., LPA



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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia A. Bolton".

Patricia A. Bolton, Administrative Specialist Senior  
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The Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology (“the Board”), and Teresa Edge, M.S., Temporary Lic. No. 283629 (expired)(“the Respondent”), based upon their mutual desire to resolve fully and finally this pending matter in an expeditious manner, without the need for filing a formal complaint and notice of evidentiary hearing pursuant to KRS 319.082, KRS 319.092, 201 KAR 26:130, and 201 KAR 26:140, hereby enter the following Settlement Agreement and Agreed Order (“Settlement Agreement”):

**Stipulation of Facts**

The parties stipulate to the following facts, which serve as the factual bases for this Settlement Agreement:

1. The Respondent was duly licensed temporarily by the Board to practice psychology in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Temporary License No. 275923, a temporary license to practice as a Licensed Psychological Associate from on or about March 7, 2022, to on or about March 7, 2023, and then Temporary License No. 283629 from on or about February 28, 2023, to on or about August 28, 2024, which expired for non-renewal;

2. On or about the spring of 2023, the Respondent was working as a psychologist at RiverValley Behavioral Health ("RiverValley"), a community mental health center, and was under the clinical supervision of a Board-approved psychologist per 201 KAR 26:171;

3. Between on or about December 13, 2024, and April 3, 2024, the Respondent treated a patient and later had sexual contact with that patient on more than one (1) occasion.

### **Stipulated Conclusions of Law**

The parties stipulate the following Conclusions of Law, which serve as the legal bases for this Settlement Agreement:

1. During the period from at least March 2023 to August 2024, the Respondent's Kentucky credential was active and subject to regulation and discipline by the Board;

2. The Respondent admits the Respondent committed more than one (1) violation of KRS 319.082(1)(n) for having had sexual contact with a patient or client;

3. The Respondent admits to the specific violations of law in Counts 1 through Count 7 of the Formal Complaint filed May 1, 2025;

4. Based upon the Stipulation of Facts, the Respondent admits that the Respondent has engaged in conduct that violates the provisions of KRS 319.082 and 201 KAR 26:145 as set forth above and accordingly, there are legal grounds for the parties to enter into this Settlement Agreement;

5. Pursuant to KRS 319.082(1), the parties may fully and finally resolve this pending matter without the filing of a formal complaint and an evidentiary hearing by entering into informal resolution as set forth in this Settlement Agreement.

### **Agreed Order**

Based upon the foregoing Stipulation of Facts and Stipulated Conclusions of Law, and based upon their mutual desire to resolve fully and finally this pending matter without an evidentiary hearing, the parties enter into the following Settlement Agreement and Agreed Order:

1. Except as provided below, the Respondent agrees to pay to the Board an administrative fine in the amount of \$2,000.00 per each of seven (7) violations as set forth in ¶ 3, immediately above (total: \$14,000.00), due within sixty (60) days of the date of an order of the Board adopting this Settlement to be paid by certified check or money order made payable to the "Kentucky State Treasurer" and mailed to the Board in care of "ATTN: Lyndsay Sipple, Executive Staff Advisor," at the Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology Post Office Box 1360, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-1360, and shall include on each payment the Agency Case Numbers above; any amount(s) not paid by the due date shall incur a \$250.00 late fee for each period of 30 days that the payment(s) is delinquent starting with the 31<sup>st</sup> day after the due date and for every 30 days thereafter until paid in full, including any late fee(s); if any single payment is received by the Board after its due date, the Board may in addition to the late fee above consider any balance remaining, if any, immediately due and payable;

2. In further consideration of the terms and conditions of this Settlement, the administrative fine set forth in ¶ 1, above, shall be fully stayed by the Board and shall not be paid by the Respondent so long as the Respondent complies with each and every term and condition of this Settlement Agreement;

3. In further consideration of the Board staying the administrative fine set forth in ¶ 1, immediately above, the Respondent shall not apply or re-apply for any other credential to

practice as a mental health care professional or a health care professional from any agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky for a period of three (3) years from the date of entry of an order of the Board adopting this Settlement Agreement;

4. The administrative fine set forth in ¶ 1, immediately above, shall be paid by the Respondent at the time of a reapplication, if any, by the Respondent for a credential from the Board as otherwise provide by KRS Chapter 319 and this Settlement Agreement;

5. The Respondent's temporary license to practice as a Licensed Psychological Associate shall be deemed voluntarily surrendered as if revoked per KRS 319.082(1), and the Respondent shall not reapply for a credential from the Board for a period of three (3) years from the date of an order of the Board adopting this Settlement Agreement and then only under the terms and conditions of KRS 319.082(4) and additional terms and conditions of this Settlement Agreement;

6. The Respondent may reapply for a credential from the Board any time after three (3) years from the date of an order of the Board adopting this Settlement Agreement and per KRS 319.082(4) as follows:

A) The Respondent may petition the Board in writing for reinstatement;

B) The Board shall investigate the petition and may reinstate the credential upon finding that the Respondent has complied with the provisions of KRS Chapter 319 and administrative regulations promulgated by the Board and is again able to engage in the practice of psychology with reasonable skill, competency, and safety to the public;

C) In further consideration of the Board staying the administrative fine set forth in ¶ 1, immediately above, the Respondent shall have the burden of proof regarding ¶ 6 (B) which

shall be proven by the Respondent by clear and convincing evidence at the time of the reapplication and if reinstated shall be subject to clinical supervision set forth in ¶ 9, below;

7. During the period of revocation set forth in ¶ 5, above, the Respondent shall not engage in the practice of psychology as that term is defined in KRS 319.010(7), and otherwise shall not provide a mental health service to any person or client as defined by 201 KAR 26:145 § 3(1)-(3), and shall not refer to the Respondent as a psychologist or any other letters, abbreviations, or words that may mislead a member of the public into concluding that the Respondent is a credential holder of the Board;

8. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall during the period of revocation as set forth in ¶ 5, above:

- A. Prevent the Respondent from engaging in other business endeavors for money such as being a Life Coach, Wellness Coach, or Executive Coach, so long as the Respondent obtains the following written informed consent from each person, business, or entity that states at least the following and in substantial part:
- B. The Respondent is: 1) providing business or personal services and is not practicing "psychology" as that term is defined in KRS 319.010(7); 2) there is no medical standard of care for the business or personal services provided by the Respondent; 3) there is no confidentiality under law for the business or personal services provided by the Respondent or to any of the communications between the Respondent and the persons, businesses, or entities for whom the Respondent is providing business or personal services, and; 4) there is no record keeping requirement under law for the business or personal services provided by the

Respondent to the persons, businesses, or entities for whom the Respondent is providing business services.

9. The Board may reinstate the credential of the Respondent as set forth in ¶ 6, above, and if reinstated, the Respondent shall be subject to the clinical supervision requirements of 201 KAR 26:171 §§ 12 and 13 for five (5) years after reinstatement under terms and conditions of probation, although the Board may designate the same clinical supervisor as would be required for the clinical supervision of the Respondent as a Licensed Psychological Associate, and notwithstanding any other provision of KRS Chapter 319;

10. The Respondent's license is hereby administratively reprimanded in writing, with this settlement agreement constituting the administrative reprimand;

11. The Respondent shall cooperate with the Board in providing truthful information and testimony in any other pending investigation or administrative disciplinary action related to Agency Case Nos. 2024PSY00005 and 00024 that may come before the Board, and the Respondent shall have the right for counsel to be present;

#### **Knowing and Voluntary Waiver of Rights**

1. The Respondent permanently and irrevocably waives the Respondent's right to appeal from this Settlement Agreement, notwithstanding any provision of KRS Chapter 319 or other relevant statute or administrative regulation;

2. The Respondent has had the opportunity to seek advice from competent counsel of Respondent's choosing. No coercion has been exerted upon the Respondent, nor have any promises been made other than those reflected in this Agreement. The Respondent knowingly and voluntarily enters into this Settlement Agreement, motivated only by a desire to resolve the issues addressed herein, and has executed this Settlement Agreement only after a careful reading

of it, and consultation with a competent attorney of the Respondent's own choosing if the Respondent so desires, and a full understanding of all of its terms. The Respondent is fully aware of and expressly waives the right to contest charges in a formal hearing pursuant to KRS 319.092, the right to obtain counsel at the Respondent's expense, the right to present evidence on the Respondent's behalf, the right to compulsory process to secure the attendance of witnesses, the right to testify on the Respondent's own behalf, the right to receive written findings of fact and conclusions of law supporting the Board's decision on the merits of the Formal Complaint, judicial review of the Board's decision, and the right to appeal any final order of the Board to the Franklin Circuit Court as otherwise allowed by KRS 319.092(7). All of these rights are being knowingly, voluntarily, and freely waived by the Respondent with acceptance and execution of this agreement by the Respondent;

#### **Jurisdiction of the Board**

1. The Respondent acknowledges the Board has jurisdiction over the Respondent and the conduct that precipitated this Settlement Agreement; that the Board has the legal power to take disciplinary action up to and including revocation of the Respondent's credential to practice psychology in Kentucky and the issuance of an administrative fine; and the Respondent further acknowledges the Board shall retain jurisdiction over this matter until all terms and conditions set forth in this Settlement Agreement have been met to the satisfaction of the Board;

#### **Settlement Agreement Subject to Public Disclosure**

1. The Respondent acknowledges that, once adopted by the Board, this Settlement Agreement is considered a public document, available for inspection at any time by any member of the public under the Kentucky Open Records Act. Further, the Respondent understands that

the Board is free to use this Settlement Agreement in any manner not prohibited by statute or administrative regulation;

2. This agreement shall constitute disciplinary action that may be reportable under state or federal law;

**Release of Potential Claims Against the Board**

1. In exchange for the Board's agreement to settle its claims against Respondent, and for other valuable consideration named in this Settlement Agreement, the Respondent and the Respondent's executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby release and forever discharge the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Board, and the Board's members, employees, attorneys, contractors, and other agents of the Board, in their official, individual, representative, and personal capacities, from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, known and unknown, in law or equity, that the Respondent ever had, now has, may have or claim to have against any or all of the persons or entities named in this paragraph arising out of or by reason of this investigation, this disciplinary action, this Settlement Agreement, or any fact or occurrence up to the date of entry by the Board of this Settlement Agreement;

**Procedure for Board Approval**

1. It is hereby agreed between the parties that this Settlement Agreement shall be presented to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting;

2. The Respondent acknowledges that the Board is free to accept or reject this Agreement and that if it is rejected by the Board, a formal disciplinary hearing on the accusation against the Respondent may be rescheduled thereafter;

3. The Respondent waives any right the Respondent might have to challenge the Board's impartiality or competence to conduct a disciplinary hearing on the basis of the negotiation and drafting of this Settlement Agreement;

4. If the Settlement Agreement is not accepted by the Board, it shall be regarded as null and void. Admissions by the Respondent in the Settlement Agreement will not be permitted as evidence against the Respondent at the subsequent disciplinary hearing. Any term or condition of this Settlement Agreement shall not be permitted as evidence for or against the Board at any subsequent disciplinary hearing. No inferences shall be made from the Respondent's or the Board's willingness to enter into this Settlement Agreement;

5. The Settlement Agreement shall not be submitted for Board consideration until after it has been agreed to and executed by the Respondent. The Settlement Agreement shall not become effective until it has been approved by the Board and signed by a member of the Board. The date of entry of an Order of the Board adopting this Settlement Agreement shall be the effective date of the Settlement Agreement;

#### **Enforcement**

1. The Respondent expressly understands any violation of the terms of this Settlement Agreement shall provide the legal basis for additional disciplinary action, and shall constitute failure to comply with an order of the Board under KRS 319.082(h), and for which the Board may impose additional penalties available under law after notice and an opportunity to be heard, including judicial enforcement against the Respondent in the circuit court of venue;

2. The parties agree the Franklin Circuit Court shall be the sole forum for the adjudication in court of any disputes arising from this Settlement Agreement or its execution.

The parties further agree any such disputes shall be adjudicated by application of the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;

3. Notwithstanding the above, the parties agree any alleged failure of the Respondent to comply with any term or condition of this Settlement Agreement may result in a subsequent Notice of Administrative Hearing and Show Cause Order being filed by the Board under KRS Chapters 13B and 319 stating the alleged failure to comply; the parties further agree the Board may not proceed under 201 KAR 26:130 Section 2, but may proceed directly to 201 KAR 26:130 Section 3 if the Board or its designee warrants the issuance of an administrative charge against the Respondent for the alleged failure to comply with any term or condition of this Settlement Agreement;

4. The Respondent agrees to pay the Board reasonable attorney's fees if the Board prevails, in whole or in part, in any such legal proceeding to enforce or to defend any aspect of this Settlement Agreement whether in an administrative hearing before the Board or in the Franklin Circuit Court;

#### **Requirement for Cooperation**

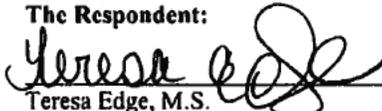
1. The Respondent agrees to permit and cooperate with the Board, its members, agents, and employees to monitor the Respondent's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement;

#### **Complete Agreement**

1. This Settlement Agreement consists of eleven (11) pages, and embodies the entire agreement between the Board and the Respondent. This Settlement Agreement shall constitute a binding contract between the Respondent and the Board. The Respondent shall not rescind, revoke, or withdraw this Settlement Agreement following the Respondent's execution thereof

and prior to its presentation to the Board for approval. It may not be altered, amended, or modified without the express written consent of both parties.

**The Respondent:**

  
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Teresa Edge, M.S.  
*The Respondent*

Date 10/27, 2025.

**For the Board of Examiners of Psychology:**

  
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Mark R. Brengelman, Attorney at Law  
*Board Counsel*

Date November 3, 2025, 2025.