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May 2, 2002

To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of Milwaukee
Room 205 - City Hall

**Re: Communication from Attorney Kenneth J. Murray for legal fees for
Police Officer Chris Ederesinghe**

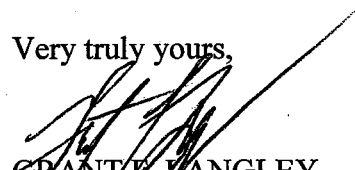
Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Kenneth J. Murray, for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Chris Ederesinghe. The claim is in the amount of \$207.00 for 2.3 hours of service billed at the rate of \$90 per hour. We ask that this matter be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation.

We have reviewed this claim and advise that in our opinion, the time spent was reasonable. Legal representation was occasioned by a criminal investigation. No criminal charges were brought against the Police Officer on whose behalf this claim was filed.

As we have advised you under similar circumstances in the past, the Common Council has discretion to reject this claim or to pay it in whole or in part. Sec. 895.35, Stats., *Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County*, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,


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Milwaukee, WI 53202

*4/24/2002
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JMS
Letter # 2277*

RE: Excessive Force - OC Spray Incident
Regarding Police Officer Chris Ederesinghe

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

The above-named police officer has retained us to represent him in connection with the above-referenced matter. Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent him, and as he was performing the duties of his office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, the claim is hereby made on his behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved an allegation of inappropriate force by an officer in the process of making an arrest on October 26, 1996. The District Attorney's office is not charging the officer. The following is an itemization of the time and services rendered.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NATURE OF WORK PERFORMED</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
10-27-96	Telephone call from MPA; telephone call to client; telephone call to CIB; open file	1.9
10-28-96	Meet with client at CJS; telephone call from client; close file	<u>0.4</u>
	TOTAL HOURS	2.3

2.3 hours at \$90.00 per hour = \$ 207.00

TOTAL DUE = \$ 207.00

Sincerely,

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