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February 25, 2008

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for legal fees for
Police Officer Steve Dettmann
C.I. File No. 06-S-28-5; EC 2277

Dear Council Members:


Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Steve Dettmann. The claim is in the amount of \$539.00 for 4.90 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110 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 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. Wis. Stat. § 895.35, *Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County*, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,


GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney


JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
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Enc.

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

February 2, 2006

TO: DET. STEVE DETTMANN
DISTRICT: VCD

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of
Attorney Laurie Eggert

Attorney Laurie Eggert has made a claim with the City, indicating the attached was provided with legal services arising out of one of the following situations:

- 1) An incident occurring on SEPTEMBER 16, 2005
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by JEANETTE DELACRUZ
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

YES NO

Did you receive legal representation
in this matter?

YES NO

Your signature:

Steve Dettmann

Print your name:

STEVEN DETTMANN

Upon completion, please return this memorandum to the Professional Performance Division at the Police Academy (Room 325) as soon as possible.

Mary K. Hoerig

MARY K. HOERIG
Captain of Police
Professional Performance Division

MKH:kjs

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CITY OF MILWAUKEE

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RONALD D. LEONHARDT,
CITY CLERK

January 16, 2006

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Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt
Milwaukee City Clerk
800 City Hall
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Steve Dettmann
Allegations Regarding Ms. Jeannette DeLaCruz
Date of Incident: September 16, 2005
Location of Incident: 2000 Block of S. 19th Pl.**

CITY ATTORNEY

JAN 19 2006 8:17

CITY OF MILWAUKEE

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, this claim is hereby made on his behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved the execution of a search warrant.

According to correspondence from Captain Hoerig, the allegation is unfounded. As such, no charges were issued against the officers. Attached is a copy of the letter along with status of the CIS Investigatory file, and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Jon Cermele

JC/kjs
Attachment
DETTMANN

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Ms. Jennette DeLaCruz
Regarding: PO Steve Dettmann
Date of Incident: September 16, 2005
Location of Incident: 2000 block of South 19th Place
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
11/11/2005 Lengthy telephone calls from PO Dettmann regarding new criminal investigation; open file; memo to file.	1.20
11/14/2005 Telephone call from IAD; telephone call to PO Dettmann; memo to file.	0.80
11/15/2005 Review of file; meeting with PO Dettmann at IAD; attend PO Dettmann's statement to IAD; travel; memo to file.	1.80
11/30/2005 Telephone call to IAD.	0.20
12/1/2005 Draft and fax clearance request to Capt. Hoerig.	0.20
12/28/2005 Receive and review Fax from Capt. Hoerig; correspondence to clients; close file.	0.70

	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	4.90 \$539.00
Balance due	<u>\$539.00</u>

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt

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(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)



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EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Nannette H. Hegerty
Chief of Police

Police Department

Thursday, December 22, 2005

Eggert & Cermele, S.C.
Timothy Walther
Attorney At Law
1840 North Farwell Avenue
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Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mr. WALTHER:

This letter is in response to your inquiry of December 1st, 2005, regarding the status of CIS Investigatory Files.

Attached please find the requested information. If further assistance is needed Lieutenant of Detectives Jeffery Micklitz can be contacted at 935-3540.

Sincerely,

MARY K. HOERIG
CAPTAIN OF POLICE

CIS FILE NO	PPD FILE NO	COMPLAINANT	ALLEGATION	DISPOSITION
1. 05-133		MAEBANE, KENNETH	ILLEGAL STRIP SEACH	WARRANT REFUSED
2. 05-166		JAMES, MICHAEL	ILLEGAL STRIP SEARCH	WARRANT REFUSED
3. 05-138		PAGE, TRAVIS	BATTERY	UNFOUNDED
4. 05-165		DELACRUZ, JEANNETTE	THEFT	UNFOUNDED