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April 4, 2005

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert & Cermele, S.C.
for legal fees for Police Officer Branko Stojsavljevic
C.I. File No. 03-S-378; EC 1935

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Branko Stojsavljevic. The claim is in the amount of \$1,700.00 including \$6.00 in disbursements for 15.40 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110.00 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. Wis. Stat. § 895.35, *Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County*, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Grant F. Langley'.

GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jan A. Smokowicz'.

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
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September 18, 2003

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

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Branko Stojsavljevic
Allegations Regarding a Juvenile Arrest
Date of Incident: January 21, 2003
Location of Incident: 87th and Hemlock
EC No.: 1935**

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 investigation of a juvenile.

The MPD initiated a criminal investigation in which the officer initially declined to give a statement without counsel. When he requested counsel, IAD compelled PO Stojsavljevic to give a statement concerning the incident after issuing a PI-21. The DA reviewed the allegations and did not issue criminal charges against the officer. Attached is a copy of the DA's letter and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.


Laurie A. Eggert
Attorney at Law

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Abuse of a juvenile during arrest
Regarding: PO Branko Stojsavljevic
Date of Incident: January 21, 2003
Location of Incident: 87th and Hemlock
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
1/29/2003 Telephone call from client; open file; memo to file; computer search.	0.80
2/4/2003 Telephone call to Martinez; memo to file; intra-office conference; preparation for and appearance at Eckman's PI-21 statements; travel; memo to file.	1.90
2/7/2003 Review of file.	0.30
2/10/2003 Receive and review notice of PI-21 for Martinez; telephone call to Martinez.	0.30
2/28/2003 Telephone call from Stojsavljevic; review of file; memo to file.	0.60
3/6/2003 Memo to file.	0.10
3/7/2003 Review of file; conference with clients; attend PI-21 statement by Stojsavljevic; travel; memo to file.	2.10
3/10/2003 Review of file.	0.30
3/27/2003 Telephone call to and from client; review of file; telephone call to DA.	0.40
3/28/2003 Telephone call to and from DA; telephone calls to and from clients; memos to file; telephone calls to witnesses; review taped interview.	1.80

	<u>Hours</u>	
3/31/2003 Telephone call to clients; preparation for and appearance at Stojsavljevic's statements to DA; travel; memo to file.	2.20	
4/2/2003 Telephone call to client; telephone call to DA; memo to file; preparation for and appearance at Eckman statements to DA; conference with client; memo to file; travel.	1.90	
4/17/2003 Telephone call from and to client; telephone call to DA; memo to file.	0.30	
4/28/2003 Review of file.	0.20	
6/9/2003 Telephone call from client; memo to file; telephone call to and from MPD; telephone call to client.	0.60	
6/17/2003 Conference with DA's office; telephone call to Stojsavljevic.	0.20	
6/26/2003 Telephone call to Reddin; review of file; memo to file;	0.20	
7/1/2003 Telephone call to DDA Reddin; review of file, memo to file.	0.20	
7/14/2003 Conference with DDA Reddin; telephone call to client; memo to file.	0.40	
8/19/2003 Telephone call to DDA Reddin; memo to file; review Fax from DDA Reddin; correspondence to client; close file.	0.60	
	<hr/>	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	15.40	\$1,694.00
Additional charges:		
3/31/2003 Parking		3.00
4/2/2003 Parking		3.00
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Total costs		\$6.00
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Total amount of this bill		\$1,700.00

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt

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Amount

Balance due

\$1,700.00

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)



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08/19/03

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Re: Incident No. 03-024-3088
Complainant:
Officer(s): Branko Stojsavlejevic

Dear Ms. Eggert:

This is to notify you that after reviewing the above incident involving a City of Milwaukee Police Officer, I have determined that criminal charges will not be issued against him.

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature of Jon N. Reddin]

Jon N. Reddin
Deputy District Attorney

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

TO: P.O. BRANKO STOJSAVLJEVIC
DISTRICT SOB

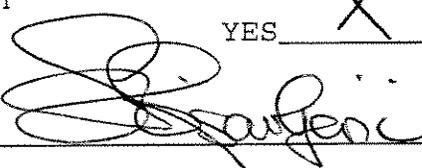
RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of
Attorney

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 JANUARY 21, 2003
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by JUVENILE ARREST
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct? YES X NO

Did you receive legal representation in this matter? YES X NO

Your signature: 

Print your name: BRANKO STOJSAVLJEVIC

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


Steven M. Settingsgaard
Police Commander
Internal Affairs Division

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