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June 24, 2009

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Jon Cermele, Cermele & Associates, S.C.  
for legal fees for Police Officers Zebdee Wilson and Wardell Dobbs  
EC 2651

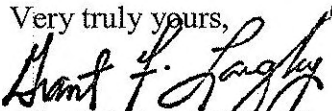
Dear Council Members:


Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jon Cermele for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Zebdee Wilson and Wardell Dobbs. The claim is in the amount of \$781.00 for 7.10 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 officers 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,

  
GRANT F. LANGLEY  
City Attorney

  
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Enc.

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

January 5, 2009

TO: P.O. ZEBDEE WILSON  
DISTRICT: NTF

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of  
Attorney Jonathan Cermele

Attorney Jonathan Cermele 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: 2007
- 2) An incident regarding complaint of: (Allegations re: Detective Stewart)
- 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: Zebdee Wilson  
 Print your name: Zebdee Wilson

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

KURT R. LEIBOLD  
Acting Captain of Police  
Professional Performance Division

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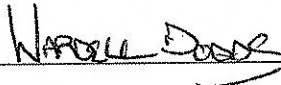
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Print your name: \_\_\_\_\_



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KRL: lrc

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September 16, 2008

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

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO's Zeb Wilson and Wardell Dodds  
Allegations Regarding Detective Stewart  
Date of Incident: 2007  
Location of Incident: Vice Control Division**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

Pursuant to Article 58 of the 2007-2009 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Milwaukee Police Association, the City should request that this claim be placed on the Common Council Committee agenda within 180 days of its receipt.

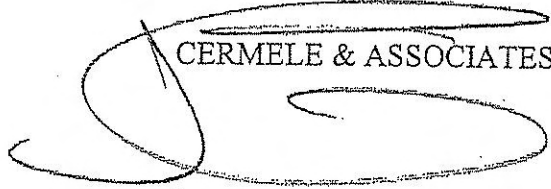
The above-named police officers have retained us to represent them in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent them and, as they were performing the duties of their office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, this claim is hereby made on their behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved a drug buy-bust.

According to correspondence from Acting Captain Leibold, the case is suspended pending new information. 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.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

/kjs  
Attachments  
WILSON and DODDS

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Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
3/11/2008 Office conference with PO Wilson and PO Dodds regarding new criminal investigation; open file; review documents.	1.00
3/12/2008 Intra-office conference with MPD witness regarding SOP for vice squad.	0.20
3/27/2008 Review MPD's Rules and SOP regarding VCD.	0.30
3/28/2008 Telephone call to MPD witness regarding vice SOP's for buy/bust; telephone call to and from PO Dodds; memo to file.	0.50
3/31/2008 Review documents from client; create distribution chart; telephone call to PO Dodds.	1.50
4/2/2008 Telephone call from PO Dodds; calendar office conference; telephone call to PPD; memo to file.	0.40
4/3/2008 Office conference with PO's Dodds and Wilson.	1.00
4/10/2008 CCAP research.	0.20

	<u>Hours</u>
5/6/2008 Telephone call to PO Wilson; telephone call to PO Dodds; memo to file.	0.30
5/8/2008 Telephone call to PO Dodds; telephone call to PO Wilson; correspondence to PO Dodds regarding decision not to provide statement; memo to file.	0.40
5/9/2008 Telephone call to PPD; memo to file.	0.20
5/12/2008 Telephone call to PPD; memo to file; correspondence to PO Wilson.	0.30
6/20/2008 Telephone call to PPD regarding case status; memo to file; fax to PPD seeking written confirmation of case suspension; calendar follow-up with PPD.	0.40
7/21/2008 Fax to PPD seeking written clearance confirmation; calendar follow-up.	0.10
8/28/2008 Receive and review correspondence from PPD confirming case has been suspended; review file; correspondence to clients regarding same; close file.	0.30
	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	7.10      \$781.00
Balance due	<u>\$781.00</u>



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CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Edward A. Flynn  
Chief of Police

Monday, August 25, 2008

Matthew GRANITZ  
Attorney At Law  
6310 West Bluemound Road  
Suite 200  
Milwaukee, WI 53213

Dear Mr. GRANITZ:

This letter is in response to your inquiries regarding the status of CIS Investigatory Files.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kurt Leibold".

KURT LEIBOLD  
ACTING CAPTAIN OF POLICE



CIS FILE NO.	PPD FILE NO.	COMPLAINANT	ALLEGATION	DISPOSITION
1. 07-160	07-0768	DOLENSHEK, DUANE	MISC PUBLIC OFFICE	SUSPENDED-PEND INFO NEW
2. 08-046	08-0193	MOORE, OTIS	THEFT-EARRING	SUSPENDED-PEND INFO NEW
3. 08-016	07-0993	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	THEFT OF MONEY	SUSPENDED-PEND INFO NEW
4. 08-036	08-0121	VELASQUEZ, PEDRO	BATTERY	UNFOUNDED
5. 08-040	08-0171	GREER, MARVIN D.	ILLEGAL STRIP SEARCH	UNFOUNDED
6. 08-055	08-0249	HOLTZ, KIMBERLY	BATTERY	BASELESS
7. 07-147	07-0696	WILLIAMS, TRAVIS D.	SUBSTANTIAL BATTERY	BASELESS