

# CITY OF MILWAUKEE

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December 4, 2002

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

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Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert Law Office, S.C. for legal fees for Police Officers Carmello Patti and Robert Braeger  
C.I. File No. 00-S-150; ELO No. 1449

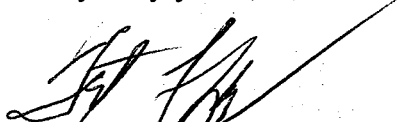
Dear Council Members:


Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Carmello Patti and Robert Braeger. The claim is in the amount of \$729.05 including \$3.05 in disbursements for 6.60 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 the filing of a citizen's complaint against the officers with the Fire and Police Commission. The complaint was dismissed by the Commission.

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**  
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March 23, 2000

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

**RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Glenn Force  
Against POs Carmello Patti and Robert Braeager  
Complaint No.: 99-67  
Date of Incident: August 14, 1999  
ELO No.: 1449**

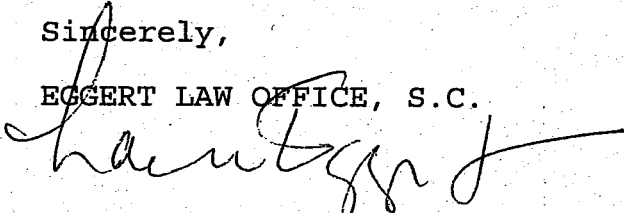
Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

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, the claim is hereby made on their behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved a call for service at Mr. Force's home. The Fire and Police Commission dismissed the complaint. Attached is a copy of the dismissal notice and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT LAW OFFICE, S.C.

  
Laurie A. Eggert  
Attorney at Law

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3/30/2001

No dismissal order  
attached.

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FPC No: 99-67  
Date of Incident: August 14, 1999

Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
12/1/99 Conference with Patti; open file; memo to file; correspondence to Review correspondence from Department of Justice; correspondence to MPD Open Records; telephone call to FPC.	2.20
12/11/99 Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
2/18/00 Telephone call from Heard; memo to file; review of file.	0.30
2/22/00 Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to clients.	0.20
2/25/00 Review of file.	0.20
2/28/00 Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client;s memo to file; travel; review of correspondence from MPD Open Records..	2.70

	<u>Hours</u>	
3/15/00 Review FPC documents; review of file.	0.20	
3/21/00 Telephone call to FPC; memo to file; review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to clients; close file.	0.70	
		<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	6.60	\$726.00
Additional charges:		
2/28/00 MPD Open Records request		3.05
Total costs		<u>\$3.05</u>
Total amount of this bill		<u>\$729.05</u>
Balance due		<u><u>\$729.05</u></u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

April 25, 2000

TO: PO CARMELLO PATTI  
DISTRICT FIVE

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 AUGUST 14, 1999
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on

Is this information correct?

YES X NO       

Did you receive legal representation  
in this matter?

YES X NO       

Your signature: P.O. Carmelo J. Patti

Print your name: P.O. Carmelo J. PATTI

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

Dale T. Schunk  
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Commander of Police  
Internal Affairs Division

DTS:dnp

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May 16, 2001

Laurie A. Eggert, Esq.  
Eggert Law Office, S.C.  
1840 North Farwell Avenue  
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Re: **Citizen Complaint Against POs Carmello Patti and Robert Braeger**  
**ELO File No. 1449**

Dear Ms. Eggert:

With respect to the above-noted claim, in your submission letter of March 23, 2000, you indicated that you were providing a copy of the Fire and Police Commission dismissal notice. No notice was included with your correspondence. Please provide that to me as soon as possible so that I can process this claim. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

Very truly yours,

Jan A. Smokowicz  
Assistant City Attorney

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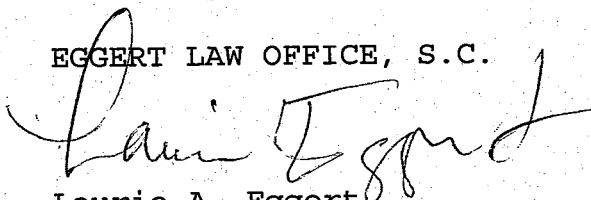
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Robert Braeger  
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Dear Mr. Smokowicz:

Your letter of May 16, 2001, asked for a copy of the  
dismissal notice. Here it is.

Sincerely,

EGGERT LAW OFFICE, S.C.



Laurie A. Eggert  
Attorney at Law

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OFFICE, D.C.

BOARD OF  
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS : CITY OF MILWAUKEE : COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

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In Re:  
THE CHARGES OF GLENN R. FORCE  
AGAINST SERGEANT DAVID JEPSON AND  
POLICE OFFICERS CARMELO PATTI  
AND ROBERT BRAEGER

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

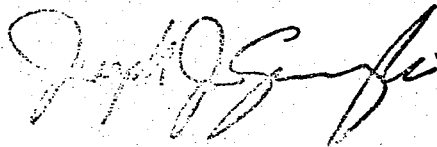
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To Officer Carmello Patti:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Glenn R. Force, Complaint No. 99-67, filed with the Board on November 8, 1999, is dismissed against Sgt. Jepson and Officer Patti because the conduct complained of does not constitute a rule violation, and is further dismissed against Officer Braeger because he was a not a party to the conduct complained of, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF  
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

AUGUST G. ERDMANN,  
CHAIRMAN

BY:



JOSEPH J. CZARNEZKI  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, MARCH 17, 2000.

c: Attorney Laurie Eggert ✓