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Ronald D. Leonhardt  
City Clerk  
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Re: Milwaukee Municipal Court Vacancy: Branch 1

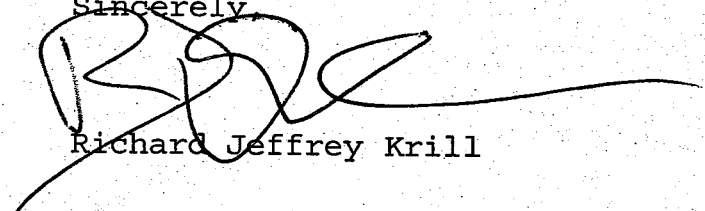
Dear Mr. Leonhardt

Please accept this as my letter of application for the above-captioned vacancy. My resume is attached.

In accordance with the Special Notice issued in connection with this appointment I hereby request that my identity not be revealed unless I become a final candidate for this position.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Richard Jeffrey Krill

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**Professional Employment**

- 2001 - Present Partner, Gonzalez, Saggio & Harlan, LLP Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 1999 - Present Adjunct Professor of Law, Marquette University Law School
- 2003 - Present City of Milwaukee Municipal Court Commissioner
- 2000 - 2001 Law Office of R. Jeffrey Krill, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 1991 - 2000 Shareholder/Of Counsel, Ehlinger & Krill, S.C./ Ehlinger, Blegen & Krill, S.C. Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 1990 - 1991 Law Office of R. Jeffrey Krill, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 1989 - 1990 Partner, Hopkins & Krill, Milwaukee Wisconsin
- 1987 - 1989 Associate, Godfrey & Kahn, S.C., Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 1981 - 1987 Associate, Michael, Best & Friedrich, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- Summer, 1980 Student Intern, Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office

**Bar Admissions**

State of Wisconsin  
U.S. District Court: Eastern District of Wisconsin  
U.S. Court of Appeals: Seventh Circuit

**Education**

- 1979-1981 University of Wisconsin Law School — JD, cum *laude*, 1981
- 1978-1979 Marquette University Law School
- 1974-1978 University of Wisconsin-Madison, Wisconsin; University of Madrid, Spain—  
BA, with distinction (Spanish and Political Science) 1978

**Career Synopsis**

Representation of individual and corporate clients in disputes litigated in diverse forums, including state, federal and municipal courts, administrative hearings, binding arbitration and mediation. Cases include eleven jury trials as lead counsel (nine to verdict), eight court trials as lead counsel and appellate briefs prepared as sole or principal author submitted to various courts of appeal, including the Wisconsin Supreme Court, the Wisconsin Court of Appeals, the Delaware Supreme Court, the Michigan Court of Appeals and the U.S. Circuit Courts for the Sixth and Ninth Circuits. Representative cases are as follows:

- Representation of clients in traffic matters state-wide; cases include trials of drunk driving cases in the Milwaukee County Circuit Court and the City of Milwaukee Municipal Court.
- Representation of individual and corporate property owners in resolution of disputes with municipalities regarding the interpretation and application of municipal zoning and land use ordinances.
- Representation of clients in domestic violence cases litigated in both criminal and municipal courts.
- Lead counsel for state chartered lake management district in municipal court proceeding involving dispute over dredging of public canal; issues included application of local erosion control ordinance and DNR regulations to the project and analysis of penalty provisions under the municipal code and state statute as applied to governmental entity defendant.
- Lead counsel for property owners in constitutional challenges to zoning and land use restrictions by municipalities; issues concerned application of municipal code and interplay between municipal code appeal provisions, federal and state constitutions and notice of claim statute applicable to governmental entities.
- Lead counsel for property owners in environmental challenge to location of prison adjacent to their home in Portage, Wisconsin; responsibilities included conduct of hearings in the Milwaukee County Circuit Court and oral argument before the Wisconsin Supreme Court.
- Lead counsel for real estate developer in series of interrelated state court actions, arbitration hearing and bankruptcy proceeding involving numerous construction and real estate related issues arising out of the development of four Waukesha County subdivisions.
- Lead counsel for real estate developer in federal environmental lawsuit submitted to arbitration; issues included the application of municipal erosion control ordinance and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("DNR") regulations to major subdivision development in Waukesha County. Duties included all aspects of case, including responding to motions in federal court, negotiation of extensive arbitration agreement and conduct of five-day arbitration hearing before Judge John Decker, arbitrator.

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**Career Synopsis (continued)**

- Lead counsel for real estate partnership in federal action involving commercial lease; duties included all aspects of case, including preparation of pleadings and motion papers and conduct of jury trial to verdict before Federal District Court Judge Robert Warren.
- Lead counsel for state-run workers compensation insurance fund in adversary bankruptcy proceeding against national trucking company involving claims for unpaid insurance premiums totaling in excess of \$4 million; principal issue involved treatment of premiums as priority claim as "excise taxes" under 11 U.S.C. § 507.
- Lead counsel for nursing home operator in proceeding before administrative law judge of the Department of Health and Family Services contesting reimbursement for costs of employee health benefits paid to employer-created ERISA plan; duties included all aspects of case, including conduct of administrative hearing, filing and briefing of two successful appeals to the Dane County Circuit Court and preparation respondents' brief on appeal to the Wisconsin Court of Appeals
- Acting senior litigation counsel to Milwaukee-based international manufacturer of industrial goods and equipment; duties included monitoring of commercial and product liability cases brought by and against client nationwide, retaining and consulting local trial counsel and coordinating efforts of in-house legal and support staff.
- Lead-counsel for employer and health insurance trust set up under ERISA in prosecution and defense of subrogation claims in actions brought against third-parties for personal injury; duties included all aspects of cases, including preparation of pleadings and settlement negotiations.
- Lead counsel for professional chiropractic corporation/employer against chiropractor/employee in action involving prosecution of claim for breach or restrictive covenant and defense of wrongful termination claim; duties included all aspects of case, including drafting of pleadings, discovery, conduct of jury trial to verdict and successful enforcement of judgment in bankruptcy court.
- Lead counsel for plaintiff-employment applicant in prosecution of federal action brought against governmental employer involving claims arising under the Americans With Disability Act and for reverse race/sex discrimination; duties included all aspects of the case, including early case evaluation, contacts with the EEOC, preparation of pleadings, conduct of extensive pretrial discovery, successful defense of two potentially dispositive summary judgment motions and settlement negotiations
- Co-counsel for employer in the defense of federal action brought by employee for discrimination in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act; duties included preparation of pleadings, conduct of extensive pretrial discovery, hiring of expert witnesses and settlement negotiations.

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**Professional and Scholastic Honors**

- Recipient of highest rating for professional competence and ethical standards (“AV”) by Martindale-Hubbell, the leading national legal directory, based upon independent survey of colleagues from the bench and bar.
- Listed by invitation in the Martindale-Hubbell Bar Registry of Preeminent Lawyers.
- Admitted to University of Wisconsin Chapter of the Order of the Coif for high attainments in the study of law.

**Bar Activities**

- Member, State Bar of Wisconsin, Milwaukee Bar Association, American Bar Association.
- Member, Distinct II Investigative Committee, Wisconsin Office of Lawyer Regulation
- Member, Bench-Bar Committee and Fee Arbitration Committee of the Milwaukee Bar Association.
- Past Chairperson, Milwaukee Young Lawyers Association Dispute Resolution Service.
- Served as judge in moot court competitions and mock trial competitions.
- Lead actor as Attorney Edward Ryan in the Milwaukee Bar Foundation’s presentation of *Storm Clouds: The Trial of Sherman Booth*, an original play based upon the actual 1854 trial of an abolitionist newspaper editor on charge of violating the Fugitive Slave Act.

**Civic Activities**

- Community Advisory Board of Milwaukee Public Radio Station, WUWM. Chairman 1991-1994, Member 1986-2003
- Member, Board of Trustees, Wisconsin Conservatory of Music, 1990-present
- Life Member, NAACP, 1998 – present
- Member, Saints Peter & Paul Parish Council, 2000-present; Vice-Chair, 2002-present
- Member, Steering Committee for the Henrietta Marie Slave Ship Exhibit at America’s Black Holocaust Museum
- Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design, Lecturer of Law, 1990-91.

**Foreign Language**

- Fluent in both written and spoken Spanish.