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April 18, 2008

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 Daniel Knitter and Eric Mlodzek C.I. File No. 07-S-41-4; EC 2411

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jon Cermele for attorney's fees for representing for Police Officers Daniel Knitter and Eric Mlodzek. The claim is in the amount of \$352.00 for 3.20 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. Wis. Stat. § 895.35, Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,

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JAN A. SMOKOWICZ Assistant City Attorney

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### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### **MEMORANDUM**

February 15, 2007

TO: P.O. DANIEL KNITTER DISTRICT: FIVE

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:

- An incident occurring on APRIL 5, 2006 1)
- A citizen complaint made by BRYAN FARLEY 2)
- A police shooting incident occurring on N/A 3)

Is this information correct?

YES\_X NO\_\_\_
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Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

Your signature:

Print your name: f.o. DANZEL G. KNITTER

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

> MARY K. HOERIG Deputy Inspector

Professional Performance Division

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#### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### **MEMORANDUM**

March 12, 2007

TO: P.O. ERIC MLODZIK DISTRICT: FIVE

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January 26, 2007

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

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Bryan Farley

Against PO's Daniel Knitter and Eric Mlodzek

Complaint No.: 06-17

Date of Incident: April 5, 2006

#### 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, this claim is hereby made on their behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved a traffic stop.

The Fire and Police Commission dismissed the complaint. Attached are copies of the dismissal notices and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,
CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

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Attachments
KNITTER and MLODZEK

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BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS:	CITY OF MILWAUKEE: COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
In Re: THE CHARGES OF BRYAN FARLEY AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS DANIEL KNITTER AND ERIC MLODZIK	
	ORDER OF DISMISSAL

To Officer Daniel Knitter:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Bryan Farley, Complaint No. 06-17, filed with the Board on April 10, 2006, is dismissed due to the unavailability of the Complainant, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

LEONARD J. SOBCZAK, CHAIRMAN

BY:

DAVID L. HEARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, DECEMBER 27, 2006.

c: Attorney Rachel Pings 🗸

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6/21/2006 Receive and review corre	spondence from FPC.		0.10
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Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

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(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)