

CITY OF MILWAUKEE

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February 9, 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 Officers Donald Sanford, Brad Decker and Garrett Strache
C.I. File No. 03-S-216; EC 1896

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Donald Sanford, Brad Decker and Garrett Strache. The claim is in the amount of \$1,380.06 including \$5.06 in disbursements for 12.50 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 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. Wis. Stat. § 895.35, *Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County*, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,


GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney


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May 9, 2003

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

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of POs Donald Sanford, Brad Decker
and Garrett Strache
Allegations Regarding Mr. Henry T. Brown, Sr.
Date of Incident: December 14, 2002
Location of Incident: District #3
EC No.: 1896**

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 an arrest after which the suspect became ill while in custody.

The MPD conducted a criminal investigation and investigated this as a critical incident. IAD compelled POs Sanford, Decker and Strache to give statements after issuing PI-21s. No charges were issued against the officers. Attached is an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert
Laurie A. Eggert
Attorney at Law

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May 8, 2003

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt
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200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee WI 53202

RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Mr. Henry T. Brown, Sr.
Regarding: POs Donald Sanford, Brad Decker and Garrett Strache
Date of Incident: December 14, 2002
Location of Incident: District #3
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>	
12/14/02 Telephone call from clients; open file; statements to Detectives; PI-21 statements; memo to file; conference with IAD; travel.	7.20	
12/16/02 Telephone call from and to client; memo to file; telephone call to CIB; telephone call to and from IAD.	1.80	
12/19/02 Telephone call from and to client.	0.30	
1/2/03 Telephone call from Strache; memo to file; review of file.	0.30	
1/3/03 Preparation for and appearance at Strache's PI-21; memo to file; travel; conference with client.	1.70	
1/31/03 Review of file; correspondence to MPD Open Records.	0.60	
3/13/03 Review of file.	0.10	
5/8/03 Review of correspondence from MPD Open Records; correspondence to clients; close file.	0.50	
		<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	12.50	\$1,375.00

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt

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Additional charges:

	<u>Amount</u>
5/8/03 MPD Open Records request	5.06
Total costs	<u>\$5.06</u>
Total amount of this bill	<u>\$1,380.06</u>
Balance due	<u><u>\$1,380.06</u></u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

June 5, 2003

TO: P.O. DONALD SANFORD
DISTRICT WEED & SEED

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 DECEMBER 14, 2002
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by HENRY T. BROWN SR.
- 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: *P.O. Donald Sanford*

Print your name: Donald SANFORD

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

Steve Settingsgaard
KJS
Steven M. Settingsgaard
Police Commander
Internal Affairs Division

MILWAUKEE POLICE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
DIVISION

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

June 5, 2003

TO: P.O. BRAD DECKER
DISTRICT THREE

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of
Attorney

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MILWAUKEE POLICE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
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Is this information correct?

YES X NO _____

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES X NO _____

Your signature: *Brad Decker*

Print your name: BRAD DECKER

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

Steven M. Settingsgaard
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Steven M. Settingsgaard
Police Commander
Internal Affairs Division

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

June 5, 2003

TO: P.O. GARRETT STRACHE
DISTRICT WEED & SEED

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of
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Did you receive legal representation in this matter? YES X NO _____

Your signature: *Garrett Strache*

Print your name: GARRETT STRACHE

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