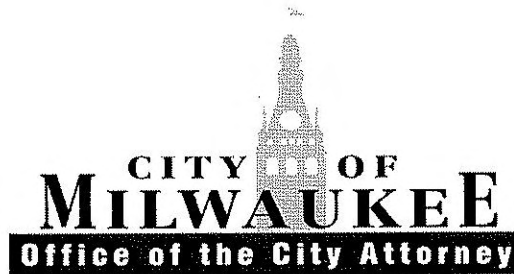


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April 20, 2009

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 Reginald Hampton and Robert Brown  
C.I. File No. ; EC 2674


Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jon Cermele for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Reginald Hampton and Robert Brown. The claim is in the amount of \$718.75 including \$3.75 in disbursements for 6.50 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 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,

  
GRANT F. LANGLEY  
City Attorney

  
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Assistant City Attorney

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

January 5, 2009

TO: P.O. REGINALD HAMPTON  
DISTRICT: INTEGRATED JUSTICE SERVICES DIVISION

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

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MILWAUKEE POLICE  
INTERNAL AFFAIRS  
DIVISION

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: November 1, 2006
- 2) A citizen complaint made by: Ms. Chinella Varner and Cameron Varner
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring at: N/A

Is this information correct?

YES  NO

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES  NO

Your signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*[Handwritten Signature]* SR

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

Reginald Hampton SR

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

DENITA R. BALL  
Deputy Inspector of Police  
Professional Performance Division

DRB: kjs

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

March 24, 2009

TO: P.O. ROBERT BROWN  
DISTRICT: SEVEN

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: November 1, 2006
- 2) An incident regarding complaint of: Chinella Varner and Cameron Varner
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on: N/A

Is this information correct?

YES  NO

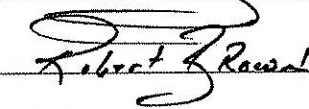
Did you receive legal representation  
in this matter?

YES  NO

Your signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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



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December 12, 2008

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

**RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Chinella Varner and Cameron Varner  
Against PO's Reginald Hampton and Robert Brown  
Complaint No.: 07-25 and 07-26  
Date of Incident: November 1, 2006**

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 police investigation.

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.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

~~CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.~~

Jon Cermele

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Attachments

HAMPTON and BROWN

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Chinella Varner / Cameron Varner  
Against PO's Reginald Hampton and Robert Brown  
FPC No: 07-25 and 07-26  
Date of Incident: November 1, 2006  
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
7/20/2007 Office conference with PO Hampton regarding new citizen complaint; review documents; open file; Open Records request; CCAP and Muni. Court search.	1.20
7/23/2007 Review and sign documents for FPC.	0.10
7/24/2007 Telephone call from client.	0.10
8/17/2007 Telephone call from MPD regarding Open Records request.	0.10
8/23/2007 Receive and review correspondence from client.	0.20
8/30/2007 Receive and review correspondence from MPD regarding citation given to complainant and MPD supplemental battery report.	0.30
9/4/2007 Office conference with PO Brown; add PO Brown to file; review documents from client.	1.50
7/21/2008 Review file.	0.20

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

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	<u>Hours</u>	
9/17/2008 Office conference with PO Hampton; telephone call to and from FPC.	0.60	
10/30/2008 Telephone call to FPC; memo to file.	0.20	
12/8/2008 Review file; telephone call to FPC; fax to PPD requesting internal file; meeting with MPD witness; memo to file; receive and review correspondence from FPC confirming dismissal of complaint; correspondence to clients regarding same; close file.	2.00	
		<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	6.50	\$715.00
Additional charges:		
8/31/2007 MPD Open Records request	3.75	
Total costs		<u>\$3.75</u>
Total amount of this bill		<u>\$718.75</u>
Balance due		<u><u>\$718.75</u></u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)



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December 8, 2008

Ms. Chinella Vamer  
5070 N. 62<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Milwaukee WI 53218

RE: Complaint No. 07-25 and 07-26

Dear Ms. Vamer:

Your complaints have been received by the Fire and Police Commission (FPC). Upon receipt of a complaint, we conduct an intake investigation. During the intake investigation, complaints are screened according to established internal guidelines. Our review indicates that your complaints will not be processed at this time.

Allegation 1. Misconduct. Your complaints allege that Milwaukee Police Officers acted inappropriately while investigating a complaint involving your son, Cameron, at the Lancaster Elementary School.

Due to the age of this complaint, the nature of the complaint, and the fact that you have chosen to decline on participating in a mediation hearing, we will be closing our file at this time.

If you have any questions regarding the actions we have taken, please contact Susan Borden of the Fire and Police Commission at (414) 286-5056.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Tobin  
Executive Director

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