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May 19, 2008

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Jonathan Cermele, Cermele & Associates,
S.C. for legal fees for Police Officers Lori Schneider and Todd Gray
C.I. File No. 07-S-149-4; EC 2457

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jonathan Cermele for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Lori Schneider and Todd Gray. The claim is in the amount of \$187.00 for 1.70 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110 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 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,

Handwritten signature of Grant F. Langley in black ink.

GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney

Handwritten signature of Jan A. Smokowicz in black ink.

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
Assistant City Attorney

JAS:amp
Enc.

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07 MAY -9 PM 2:00
POLICE DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

MAY 2, 2007

TO: P.O. LORI SCHNEIDER
DISTRICT: TWO

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 JULY 1, 2006
- 2) A citizen complaint made by Mr. Charles RELIFORD
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

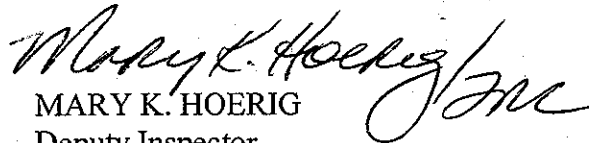
Is this information correct? YES Y NO X

Did you receive legal representation in this matter? YES Y NO

Your signature: PO Lori Schneider

Print your name: PO LORI SCHNEIDER

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

MKH: lrc

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MEMORANDUM

MAY 2, 2007 MAY -9 PM 2:00

TO: P.O. TODD GRAY

DISTRICT: TWO

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS

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Your signature:

Todd GRAY

Print your name:

Todd GRAY

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Mary K. Hoerig

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April 23, 2007

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt
Milwaukee City Clerk
City Hall, Room 205
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

MILWAUKEE
CITY CLERK
RONALD D. LEONHARDT
APR 25 PM 3:00

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO's Lori Schneider and Todd Gray
Allegations Regarding Mr. Charles Reliford
Date of Incident: July 1, 2006
Location of Incident: 1407 West Mineral Street**

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 an entry to a residence.

According to correspondence from Captain Hoerig, the allegation is unfounded. As such, no charges were issued against the officers. Attached is a copy of the letter along with status of the CIS Investigatory file, and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

/kjs

Attachments
SCHNEIDER and GRAY

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: battery
Regarding: PO's Lori Schneider and Todd Gray
Date of Incident: July 1, 2006
Location of Incident: 1407 West Mineral Street
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
10/23/2006 Telephone call from PO Schneider; telephone call from and to PO Gray; open file.	0.50
11/3/2006 Telephone call to IAD.	0.10
11/13/2006 Telephone call to and from PO Gray; telephone call to IAD; telephone call to and from PO Schneider; memo to file; correspondence to clients.	0.40
1/5/2007 Per Cermele; correspondence to IAD.	0.20
3/21/2007 Review file; telephone call to IAD.	0.20
3/26/2007 Receive and review correspondence from IAD confirming investigation closed as unfounded; correspondence to clients; close file.	0.30

	<u>Amount</u>	
For professional services rendered	1.70	\$187.00

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

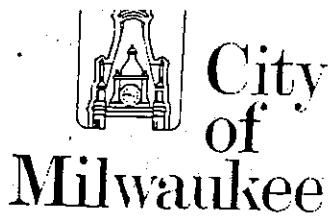
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Amount

Balance due

\$187.00

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)



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MAR 26 2007
CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Police Department

Nannette H. Hegerty
Chief of Police

Tuesday, March 20, 2007

Rachel L. Pings
Attorney At Law
6310 West Bluemound Road
Suite 200
Milwaukee, WI 53213

Dear Ms. PINGS:

This letter is in response to your inquiries of January 5, 2007, February 7, 2007, and March 19, 2007 regarding the status of CIS Investigatory Files.

Attached please find the requested information. If further assistance is needed Lieutenant of Detectives Karen Dubis can be contacted at 935-3540.

Sincerely,

MARY K. HOERIG
DEPUTY INSPECTOR OF POLICE

CIS FILE NO.	PPD FILE NO.	COMPLAINANT	ALLEGATION	DISPOSITION
1. 06-159	06-0920	RELIFORD, Charles	BATTERY	UNFOUNDED
2. 06-113	06-0668	SIMPSON, Christopher	BATTERY	WARRANT REFUSED
3. 06-188	06-1088	CRIST, Kimberly	PHYSICAL ABUSE OF CHILD	WARRANT REFUSED