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City Attorney

RUDOLPH M. KONRAD LINDA ULISS BURKE VINCENT D. MOSCHELLA Deputy City Attorneys



April 30, 2007

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

Re:

Communication from Laurie Eggert, Eggert & Cermele, S.C. for legal fees for Police Officers David Claas, Larry Leibsle, Alan Schleif and Robert Toeller; Claim File No. 04-S-376; EC No. 2070

THOMAS O. GARTNER **BRUCE D. SCHRIMPF** ROXANE L. CRAWFORD SUSAN D. BICKERT STUART S. MUKAMAL THOMAS J. BEAMISH MAURITA F. HOUREN JOHN J. HEINEN MICHAEL G. TOBIN DAVID J. STANOSZ SUSAN E. LAPPEN JAN A. SMOKOWICZ PATRICIA A. FRICKER **HEIDI WICK SPOERL KURT A. BEHLING GREGG C. HAGOPIAN FLLEN H. TANGEN** MELANIE R. SWANK JAY A. UNORA **DONALD L. SCHRIEFER** EDWARD M. EHRLICH **LEONARD A. TOKUS** VINCENT J. BOBOT MIRIAM R. HORWITZ MARYNELL REGAN G. O'SULLIVAN-CROWLEY KATHRYN M. ZALEWSKI MEGAN T. CRUMP **ELOISA DE LEÓN** ADAM B. STEPHENS **KEVIN P. SULLIVAN BETH CONRADSON CLEARY** THOMAS D. MILLER Assistant City Attorneys

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers David Claas, Larry Leibsle, Alan Schleif and Robert Toeller. The claim is in the amount of \$1,897.00, including \$5.00 in disbursements for 17.2 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 MANGLEY

City Attorney

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ

Assistant City Attorney JAS:enm

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EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

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October 8, 2004

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

> RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Curly Birdsong

> > Against POs David Claas, Larry Leibsle, Alan Schleif and Robert

Toeller

Complaint No.: 02-72

Date of Incident: October 30, 2002

EC No.: 2070

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 the search for a suspect. 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.

4/27/07 0.K. JAS Letter 2295

Sincerely,

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert

Attorney at Law

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Curly Birdsong

Against POs David Claas, Larry Leibsle, Alan Schleif and Robert Toeller

FPC No: 02-72

Date of Incident: October 30, 2002

Location of Incident: 846 North 28th Street

Professional services

		Hours
3/10/2003	Conference with Claas, Leibsle and Schleif; correspondence to FPC; open file.	1.80
3/17/2003	Correspondence to FPC regarding Toeller; conference with Toeller.	0.60
3/19/2003	Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
4/4/2003	Telephone call from and to FPC; review of file; memo to file.	0.20
4/28/2003	Telephone call from FPC; memo to file conference with FPC.	0.50
6/9/2003	Review of file.	0.30
6/10/2003	Review of file; telephone calls to FPC; memo to file.	0.90
7/25/2003	Telephone call from FPC; memo to file.	0.10
7/28/2003	Telephone call to and from FPC; review of file; memo to file.	0.40
7/31/2003	Review of file; memo to file.	0.20

		Hours
8/18/2003	Telephone call from and to FPC; review of file; memo to file.	0.30
8/25/2003	Telephone call from FPC; memo to file; review of file; telephone call to clients.	0.50
9/17/2003	Telephone call from FPC; memo to file.	0.40
9/22/2003	Review of correspondence from FPC; memo to file.	0.20
10/17/2003	Computer update regarding complainant; memo to file; review of file.	0.50
11/6/2003	Telephone calls from FPC; memo to file; review of file.	0.60
11/10/2003	Telephone call from FPC; review of file; memo to file; telephone call to clients.	0.50
11/11/2003	Telephone call from client; review of file; correspondence to MPD Open Records; correspondence to Milwaukee County Sheriffs' Department Open Records.	0.90
11/12/2003	Review of correspondence from FPC; obtain information regarding officer.	0.20
11/20/2003	Review of correspondence from FPC; memo to file; correspondence to client.	0.20
11/24/2003	Telephone call from Sheriff's Department; telephone call to clients; review of file.	0.70
12/6/2003	Review of file.	0.10
12/8/2003	Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with clients; memo to file; travel.	2.60
12/10/2003	Telephone call from Claas; telephone call to FPC; memo to file.	0.20

Mr. Ronald	Leonhardt	Page 4
	Additional charges:	
		Amount
12/8/2003	Parking	2.00
5/17/2004	Parking	3.00
	Total costs	\$5.00
	Total amount of this bill	\$1,897.00
	Balance due	\$1,897.00

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

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FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS: CITY OF MILWAUKEE: COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

In Re:

THE CHARGES OF CURLEY BIRDSONG III AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS DAVID CLAAS AND ROBERT TOELLER

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

To Officer David Claas:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Curley Birdsong, Complaint No. 02-72, filed with the Board on November 11, 2002, is dismissed due to the Complainant's passivity, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

ERIC MANDEL JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

BY:

DAVID L. HEARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JULY 2, 2004.

√c: Attorney Laurie Eggert

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To Officer Robert Toeller:

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FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS: CITY OF MILWAUKEE: COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

In Re:

THE CHARGES OF CURLEY BIRDSONG III AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS DAVID CLAAS, ROBERT TOELLER, ALAN SCHLEIF AND LARRY LEIBSLE RECEIVED MAY 1 \$ 2004

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ORDER OF DISMISSAL

To Officer Larry Leibsle:

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BY:

DAVID L. HEARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, MAY 14, 2004.

: Attorney Laurie Eggert

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In Re: THE CHARGES OF CURLEY BIRDSONG III	RECEIVED
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Attorney Laurie Eggert

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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October 28, 2004

TO: P.O. DAVID CLASS
DISTRICT: SIX

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 OCTOBER 30, 2002
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by CURLY BIRDSONG
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES NO

Your signature: Javid 2. Class

Print your name: Javid 4. CLAAS

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

MARY K. HOERIG

Captain of Police

Professional Performance Division

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM December 13, 2004

TO: P.O. LARRY LEIBSLE DISTRICT: THREE

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MEMORANDUM October 28, 2004

TO: P.O. ROBERT TOELLER DISTRICT: THREE

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