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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 Officer Greg Kuspa
C.I. File No. 07-S-41-5; EC 2412

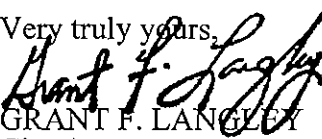
Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jonathan Cermele for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Greg Kuspa. The claim is in the amount of \$869.00 for 7.90 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 officer 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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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

February 15, 2007

TO: P.O. GREG KUSPA
DISTRICT: SIX

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

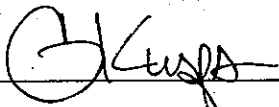
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Attorney Jonathan Cermele has made a claim with the City, indicating the attached was provided with legal services arising out of one of the following situations:

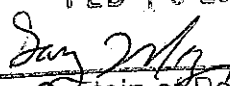
- 1) An incident occurring on JUNE 18, 2006
- 2) A citizen complaint made by ADAM THRELKELD
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

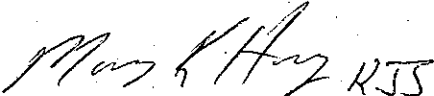
Is this information correct? YES NO

Did you receive legal representation in this matter? YES NO

Your signature: 
Print your name: GREG KUSPA

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

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Captain of Police


MARY K. HOERIG
Deputy Inspector
Professional Performance Division

MKH: kjs



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January 26, 2007

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

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Greg Kuspa
Allegations Regarding Mr. Adam Threlkeld
Date of Incident: June 18, 2006
Location of Incident: 900 West Layton Avenue**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

The above-named police officer has retained us to represent him in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent him and, as he was performing the duties of his office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, this claim is hereby made on his behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved a foot chase.

According to correspondence from Captain Hoerig, the allegation is unfounded. As such, no charges were issued against the officer. 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
KUSPA

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Nannette H. Hegerty
Chief of Police

Police Department

Wednesday, January 03, 2007

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

Dear Ms. PINGS:

This letter is in response to your inquiries of October 3rd, 2006, 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. 06-086	06-0467	CARTER, MAGGIE	THEFT OF MONEY	SUSPENDED
2. 06-091	06-0498	THRELKELD, ADAM	BATTERY	UNFOUNDED

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January 26, 2007

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200 East Wells Street
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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Battery
Regarding: PO Greg Kuspa
Date of Incident: June 18, 2006
Location of Incident: 900 West Layton Avenue
Professional services

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	<u>Hours</u>
7/6/2006 Telephone call from MPD regarding criminal investigation; intra-office conference with Granitz regarding same.	0.50
Telephone call from PO Kuspa; open file; telephone call to PO Enk; telephone call to IAD; telephone call to Det. Kohnert regarding PPD investigation.	0.80
7/7/2006 Memo to file regarding telephone call to PO's Kuspa and Enk based on facts from phone interview; telephone call to IAD; memo to file.	0.80
Intra-office conference with Granitz.	0.20
8/3/2006 Telephone call to IAD.	0.10
8/17/2006 Telephone call to PPD; intra-office conference with Cermele; telephone call to client; schedule and calendar appointment to provide statement.	0.50
Intra-office conference with Pings.	0.10

	<u>Hours</u>	
8/22/2006		2.00
Travel to Academy; conference with PO Kuspa; statement to IAD; return travel; memo to file; telephone call to and from PO Kohnert.		
		0.50
Review Jury instructions; telephone call from Pings.		
8/23/2006		1.50
Memo to file regarding 08/22/06 telephone call from Kohnert; review battery statute; intra-office conference with Cermele; telephone calls from Kohnert; telephone call to PPD; schedule statement; travel to PPD; statement to PPD.		
10/3/2006		0.30
Telephone call to PPD regarding status; intra-office conference with Cermele; correspondence to PPD.		
1/2/2007		0.30
Review file; telephone call to PPD regarding status of clearance confirmation; memo to file; telephone call to PPD; Fax to same.		
1/11/2007		0.30
Receive and review correspondence from PPD confirming no charges; review file; correspondence to client; close file.		
		<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	7.90	<u>\$869.00</u>
Balance due		<u><u>\$869.00</u></u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)