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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 Darcy Trunkle

C.I. File No. 07-S-41-11; EC 2418

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jonathan Cermele for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Darcy Trunkle. The claim is in the amount of \$572.00 for 5.20 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.

GRANTINI WANGLEY City Attorney

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ Assistant City Attorney

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Enc.

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#### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### **MEMORANDUM**

February 15, 2007

TO: P.O. DARCIE TRUKEL 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 MAY 9, 2006
- 2) A citizen complaint made by CARTER
- 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:

Print your name:

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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: 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 Darcy Trunkle

Allegations Regarding Theft of Money

Date of Incident: May 9, 2006

Location of Incident: Carter residence

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

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

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

According to correspondence from Captain Hoerig, the allegation is suspended. 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

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Attachments
TRUNKLE



# JAN 10 2007

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

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	PPD	COMPLAINANT	ALLEGATION	DISPOSITION
FILE NO.	FILE NO.			
1. 06-086	06-0467	CARTER, MAGGIE	THEFT OF MONEY	SUSPENDED
2. 06-091	06-0498	THRELKELD, ADAM	BATTERY	UNFOUNDED

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Theft

Regarding: PO Darcy Trunkle Date of Incident: May 9, 2006

Location of Incident: Professional services

	Hours
7/6/2006 Telephone call from and to PO Trunkle regarding criminal investigation; open file.	0.10
7/11/2006 Telephone call from PO Trunkle.	0.10
7/19/2006 Telephone call from and to client.	0.20
7/27/2006 Conference with client; memo to file; intra-office conference with Cermele; telephone call to witness; telephone call to Det.; telephone call to and from witness and memo to file.	1.50
8/3/2006 Telephone call to IAD.	0.10
8/8/2006 Telephone call from client; telephone call to and from IAD; memo to file.	0.30
8/17/2006 Telephone calls to and from client; telephone calls to IAD; schedule and calendar appointment to provide statement.	0.30
8/21/2006 Telephone call from and to IAD; schedule statement; telephone call to and from client.	0.20

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		Hours
8/23/2006	Travel to Academy; conference with client; statement to IAD; return travel.	1.50
10/3/2006	Telephone call to IAD regarding status; intra-office conference with Cermele; correspondence to IAD.	0.30
	Review file; telephone call to IAD regarding status of clearance confirmation; memo to file; telephone call to IAD; Fax to same.	0.30
	Receive and review correspondence from IAD confirming no charges at this time; review file; correspondence to client; close file.	0.30
	·	Amount
•	For professional services rendered 5.20	\$572.00
	Balance due	\$572.00

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)