

CITY OF MILWAUKEE

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September 15, 2004

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie Eggert, Eggert Law Office, S.C.
for legal fees for Police Officer James Hutchinson
C.I. File No. 99-S-115; ELO No. 1215

Dear Council Members:


Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer James Hutchinson. The claim is in the amount of \$755.13, including \$7.13 in disbursements for 6.80 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 officer 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,


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December 2, 2002

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**RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Maxine Santoro
Against PO James Hutchinson
ELO File: 1215
City Claim No.: 99-S-115**

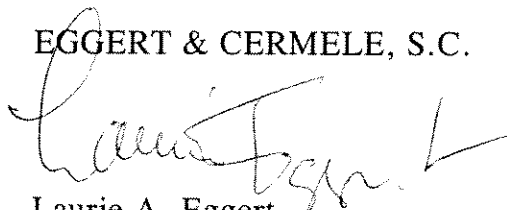
Attorney Smokowicz:

In your letter of November 20, 2002, you noted that the FPC had dismissed the complaint of Ms. Santoro, and referred it to the chief.

Please be advised that no discipline was imposed against the officer concerning this incident. If you have any other questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.



Laurie A. Eggert
Attorney at Law

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November 20, 2002

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Maxine Santoro Against PO James Hutchinson
C.I. File No.: 99-S-115

Dear Ms. Eggert:

Accompanying this letter you will find your letter to Mr. Leonhardt of February 19, 1999 and your bill relating to the above-noted matter. You indicated in your submission that the Fire and Police Commission had dismissed the complaint, however, I note from the Order of Dismissal that the matter was referred to the Chief of Police. Please provide me with the Chief's disposition of this matter. If you do not have that information, I will obtain it directly from the department.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of Jan A. Smokowicz in cursive.

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
Assistant City Attorney

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jan A. Smokowicz".

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Deputy Inspector Dale Schunk
Milwaukee Police Department
6680 N. Teutonia Avenue, Room 325
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Re: C.I. File No. 99-S-115
Communication from Laurie Eggert

REC'D
MILWAUKEE POLICE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
DIVISION
99 APR 15 AM 11:21

Dear Deputy Inspector Schunk:

Enclosed please find a claim filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for Attorney's fees incurred during her representation of Officer James Hutchinson.

Please determine whether these officers were in fact involved in the matter described in Ms. Eggert's claim, and have the officers verify Ms. Eggert's representation. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Jan A. Smokowicz
Assistant City Attorney

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February 19, 1999

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt
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**RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Maxine Santoro
Against PO James Hutchinson
Complaint No.: 98-39
Date of Incident: June 14, 1998**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

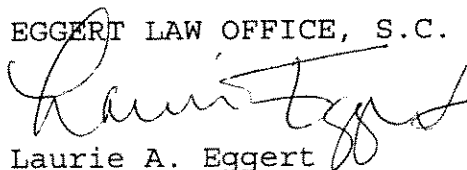
The above-named police officer has retained us to represent him in connection with the above-referenced matter.

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, the claim is hereby made on his behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved a domestic violence investigation. The Fire and Police Commission dismissed the complaint. Attached is a copy of the dismissal notice.

The attached is an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT LAW OFFICE, S.C.


Laurie A. Eggert
Attorney at Law

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Maxine Santoro
Against Police Officer James Hutchinson
FPC No: 98-39
Date of Incident: June 14, 1998

Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
7/27/98 Open file; conference with client; telephone call to FPC; memo to file; correspondence to FPC; review complaint.	1.60
7/30/98 Review of file; review internal taped interview; memo to file.	0.70
7/31/98 Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
8/3/98 Review of file; memo to file.	0.20
8/4/98 Review document from client.	0.10
8/13/98 Review file and tape recorded PI-21 interview; conference with Heard and Fronk at FPC; travel.	1.50
8/28/98 Telephone call from FPC.	0.10

	<u>Hours</u>	
9/15/98 Review file; telephone call to and from client; memo to file; intra-office conference.	0.70	
9/16/98 Telephone call to client; preparation for and attendance at conciliation; conference with client; travel.	1.30	
9/28/98 Review dismissal notice; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50	
		<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	6.80	\$748.00
Additional charges:		
8/13/98 Parking and mileage		4.63
9/16/98 Parking and mileage		2.50
Total costs		<u>\$7.13</u>
Total amount of this bill		<u>\$755.13</u>
Balance due		<u>\$755.13</u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

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

In Re:
THE CHARGES OF MAXINE A. SANTORO
AGAINST POLICE OFFICER JAMES HUTCHINSON

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

To Officer James Hutchinson:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Maxine A. Santoro, Complaint No. 98-39, filed with the Board on June 22, 1998, is dismissed because the Board, upon receipt of a request from Complainant to dismiss the complaint, reviewed the Complaint at its Regular Meeting of September 17, 1998, and determined that investigation and disposition by the Milwaukee Police Department would be an appropriate disposition. This Complaint has therefore been dismissed and referred to the Chief of Police.

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

AUGUST G. ERDMANN,
CHAIRMAN

BY:



JOSEPH J. CZARNEZKI
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, SEPTEMBER 21, 1998.

c: Attorney Laurie Eggert ✓

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: PO. JAMES HUTCHINSON
DISTRICT THREE

APRIL 27, 1999

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 JUNE 14, 1998
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on

Is this information correct? YES _____ NO _____

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

Your signature: _____

Print your name: _____

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

5/3/99

PER CAPT. LUCAS (#3)
MEMBER HAS RETIRED

Dale T. Schunk
DALE T. SCHUNK J#
Deputy Inspector of Police
Internal Affairs Division

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