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March 17, 2008

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert Law Office, S.C.  
for legal fees for Police Officer David Skonieczny  
C.I. File No. 06-S-333 (6); EC 2377

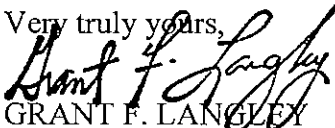
Dear Council Members:


Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer David Skonieczny. The claim is in the amount of \$1,597.25 including \$79.25 in disbursements for 13.80 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,

  
GRANT F. LANGLEY  
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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

November 8, 2006

TO: P.O. DAVID SKONIECZNY  
DISTRICT: SEVEN

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of  
Attorney Laurie Eggert

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 JANUARY 2, 2004
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by ROBERT STAKE

Is this information correct?

YES  NO

Did you receive legal representation  
in this matter?

YES  NO

Your signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print your name: \_\_\_\_\_

*David Skonieczny*  
*DAVID SKONIECZNY*

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

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October 19, 2006

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

CITY OF MILWAUKEE  
2006 OCT 25 PM 1:25  
RONALD D. LEONHARDT  
CITY CLERK

**RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Robert Stake  
Against PO David Skonieczny  
Complaint No.: 04-02  
Date of Incident: January 2, 2004**

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 issuance of a citation related to a traffic offense.

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.

Sincerely,

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Robert Stake  
Against PO David Skonieczny  
FPC No: 04-02  
Date of Incident: January 2, 2004  
Location of Incident: Hwy. 94 near the Howard Street Exit  
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
3/25/2004 Conference with client; open file; memo to file; correspondence to FPC; CCAP check regarding incident and complainant; review written statement; review taped interview.	1.80
3/30/2004 Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
4/26/2004 Review of file; CCAP update of circuit court trial regarding incident; memo to file.	0.20
5/4/2004 Telephone call from client; memo to file.	0.20
6/15/2004 Telephone call from client; memo to file; telephone call to FPC.	0.50
6/24/2004 Telephone calls from and to FPC; telephone call to client; memo to file.	0.50
6/30/2004 Review FPC document.	0.10
7/16/2004 Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; memo to file.	0.20

	<u>Hours</u>
7/29/2004 Review document from FPC; review of file; memo to file.	0.20
9/7/2004 Review of file; memo to file.	0.20
9/20/2004 Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client; memo to file; travel .	2.30
9/23/2004 Correspondence to IAD and court reporter; review of file.	0.80
10/20/2004 Telephone call from and to client; memo to file.	0.40
10/25/2004 Review of correspondence from FPC; telephone call to client; review of file.	0.70
11/4/2004 Review of file; correspondence to Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department.	0.70
11/30/2004 Telephone call to Sheriff's Department Open Records.	0.10
12/1/2004 Telephone call to Sheriff's Department Open Records.	0.10
1/3/2005 Review of correspondence from Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department.	0.10
1/28/2005 Telephone call from client; review of file; memo to file.	0.30
4/4/2005 Review of correspondence from client.	0.10
3/30/2006 Correspondence to client; review file.	0.30
4/11/2006 Review file; correspondence to MPD Personnel; telephone call to Court Reporter; telephone call to Professional Performance; telephone call from and to Sgt. Hilt; Fax to PPD; memo to file.	1.40
5/1/2006 Review message from court reporter.	0.10
5/8/2006 Review documents from MPD.	0.60

	<u>Hours</u>
5/18/2006 Review correspondence from client; memo to file.	0.20
6/1/2006 Telephone call from FPC; memo to file; review file.	0.30
6/6/2006 Review file regarding transcript arrangements.	0.10
7/14/2006 Review transcript of circuit court trial; memo to file.	0.60
8/1/2006 Telephone call from Fronk; memo to file.	0.10
8/28/2006 Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50
	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	13.80     \$1,518.00
Additional charges:	
9/20/2004 Parking	6.00
4/28/2006 MPD Open Records request	13.25
Transcript of Trial of Robert Stake from 06/15/04	60.00
Total costs	<u>\$79.25</u>
Total amount of this bill	<u>\$1,597.25</u>
Balance due	<u><u>\$1,597.25</u></u>

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GERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

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

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In Re:  
THE CHARGES OF ROBERT STAKE  
AGAINST POLICE OFFICER DAVID SKONIECZNY

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

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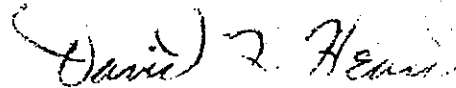
To Officer David Skonieczny:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Robert Stake, Complaint No. 04-02, filed with the Board on February 5, 2004, is dismissed due to the Complainant's passivity, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF  
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

LEONARD J. SOBCZAK, CHAIRMAN

BY:



DAVID L. HEARD  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, AUGUST 21, 2006.

c: Attorney Laurie Eggert ✓