

CITY OF MILWAUKEE

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January 21, 2004

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie Eggert, Eggert & Cermele, S.C.
for legal fees for Police Officer Timothy Elwing
C.I. File No. 02-L-143; EC No. 1819

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Timothy Elwing. The claim is in the amount of \$842.53, including \$6.53 in disbursements for 7.60 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. Sec. 895.35, Stats., Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,


GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney


JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
Assistant City Attorney

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October 21, 2002

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

**RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Gregory L. Cooper
Against PO Timothy Elwing
Complaint No.: 02-18
Date of Incident: April 8, 2002
EC No.: 1819**

CITY OF MILWAUKEE
2002 OCT 23 PM 12:00
RONALD D. LEONHARDT
CITY CLERK

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 an arrest. 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,

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert
Attorney at Law

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RONALD D. LEONHARDT
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02 NOV -7 PM 2:51
MILWAUKEE POLICE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
DIVISION

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

In Re:
THE CHARGES OF GREGORY L. COOPER
AGAINST POLICE OFFICER TIMOTHY ELWING

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

To Officer Timothy Elwing:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Gregory L. Cooper, Complaint No. 02-18, filed with the Board on April 8, 2002, is dismissed due to the Complainant's passivity, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF
FIRE AND POLICE
COMMISSIONERS

WOODY WELCH,
CHAIRMAN

BY:


JOSEPH J. CZARNECKI
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, OCTOBER 7, 2002.

c: ✓ Attorney Laurie Eggert

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Gregory L. Cooper
Against PO Timothy Elwing
FPC No: 02-18
Date of Incident: April 8, 2002
Location of Incident: 27th and Wisconsin

Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
04/22/02 Open file; conference with client; memo to file; correspondence to FPC; check records on municipal court and circuit court.	2.60
05/01/02 Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
06/06/02 Telephone call from client; memo to file; review of file.	0.40
06/28/02 Review of correspondence from MPD Open Records; review of file.	0.60
07/16/02 Telephone call from client; memo to file; telephone call to Heard.	0.60
08/27/02 Review of file; telephone call to FPC; memo to file.	0.40
09/16/02 Telephone call from FPC; memo to file; review of file.	0.30
09/20/02 Telephone call from FPC; review of file; memo to file.	0.20

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

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	<u>Hours</u>	
09/23/02	0.30	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; memo to file.
09/24/02	0.60	Telephone call from and to client; review of file; memo to file.
09/27/02	0.20	Review of file.
09/30/02	0.80	Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with clients; memo to file; travel.
10/08/02	0.50	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; close file.
	<hr/>	<u>Amount</u>
	7.60	\$836.00
		For professional services rendered
		Additional charges:
06/28/02		MPD Open Records request
		4.53
09/30/02		Parking
		2.00
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		Total costs
		\$6.53
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		Total amount of this bill
		\$842.53
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		Balance due
		\$842.53
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(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

November 25, 2002

TO: P.O. Timothy Elwing
District Three

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 April 8, 2002
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by Gregory Cooper
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N\A

Is this information correct?

YES X 1+2 NO _____

Did you receive legal representation
in this matter?

YES X NO _____

Your signature: _____

P.O. Timothy D. Elwing #58701

Print your name: _____

P.O. TIMOTHY D. ELWING

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

St. Settingsgaard
Steven M. Settingsgaard
Police Commander
Internal Affairs Division

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