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January 25, 2005

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 John Corbett

Claim File No. 00-S-57; EC No. 1440

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer John Corbett. The claim is in the amount of \$1,051.00, including \$17.00 in disbursements for 9.40 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

City Attorney

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ Assistant City Attorney

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February 18, 2000

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

> RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Ruth DeBauche

Against PO John Corbett Complaint No.: 99-35

Date of Incident: May 29, 1999

ELO No.: 1440

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 battery 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 serwices rendered.

Sincerely,

E¢dert LAW OFFICE, S.C.

Laurie A. Egger

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Against PO John Corbett

FPC No: 99-35

Date of Incident: May 29, 1999

Location of Incident: 4273 S. 26th St.

Professional services

		<u> Hours</u>
7/20/99	Telephone call from client; office conference with client; open file.	0.80
7/22/99	Telephone call from client; correspondence to Department of Justice.	0.40
7/30/99	Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
8/10/99	Telephone call to and from FPC.	0.20
8/16/99	Correspondence to client; review of correspondence from Department of Justice; review of file.	0.40
8/30/99	Review of file; telephone call to witness; memo to file; telephone call to and from FPC; obtain tape of PI-21; intra-office conference; telephone call to client.	1.30

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		Hours		
11/17/99	Review of correspondence from FPC; review of file; review tape of PI-21 interview; telephone call to client.	1.30		
11/18/99	Telephone call to client.	0.20		
12/1/99	Telephone call from client; telephone call to FPC.	0.30		
12/6/99	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client.	0.20		
12/15/99	Conference with FPC.	0.20		
1/10/00	Telephone call from client; review of file.	0.60		
1/11/00	Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client; memo to file; travel.	1.90		
1/26/00	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50		
	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; close file.	0.30		
2/14/00	Review of file; telephone call to FPC; memo to file; correspondence to client.	0.70		
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	For professional services rendered	9.40 \$	31,034.	00
	Additional charges:			
7/27/99	Department of Justice		13.0	00

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1/11/00 Parking	4	.00
Total costs	\$17	.00
Total amount of this bill	\$1,051	.00
Balance due	\$1,051	.00

(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 RUTH M. DEBAUCHE' AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS JOHN CORBETT AND MARVIN HARRELL	
	ORDER OF DISMISSAL
To Officer John Corbett:	
It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of R	tuth M. DeBauche', Complaint No. 99-35, filed with the
Board on June 28, 1999, is dismissed because the co	onduct complained of does not constitute a rule
violation, by the	
	MILWAUKEE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS
	AUGUST G ERDMANN

JOSEPH J. CZARNEZKI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CHAIRMAN

BY:

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JANUARY 24, 2000.

Attorney Jonathan Cermele

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