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March 19, 2003

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Kenneth J. Murray for legal fees
for Police Officers Peter Pfau and Steven Rineberg

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Kenneth J. Murray, for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Peter Pfau and Steven Rineberg. The claim is in the amount of \$911.50 including \$2.50 in disbursements for 10.1 hours of service billed at the rate of \$90.00 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 officers 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,

Handwritten signature of Grant F. Langley in cursive.

GRANT F. LANGLEY
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Handwritten signature of Jan A. Smokowicz in cursive.

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
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June 10, 1996

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

RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Leon Mays
Against Police Officers Peter Pfau & Steven Rineberg
Complaint No.: 95-36
Date of Incident: July 16, 1995

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

The above-named police officers have retained us to represent them in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent them and as they were performing the duties of their office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, the claim is hereby made on their behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved a traffic stop on July 19, 1995 at approximately 6:40 a.m. The Fire and Police Commission dismissed the complaint. Attached is a copy of the dismissal notice.

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NATURE OF WORK PERFORMED</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
09-28-95	Open file; conference with client; memo to file; correspondence to FPC	1.8
10-06-95	Conference with FPC; memo to file; correspondence to client	0.6

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10-09-95	Telephone call from Rineberg; memo to file	0.6
10-11-95	Telephone call from and to FPC; correspondence to client	0.3
10-16-95	Review of correspondence from FPC	0.2
10-17-95	Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client; travel	2.1
10-18-95	Telephone call to Rineberg	0.2
11-30-95	Telephone call from FPC; review of file; memo to file	0.3
12-21-95	Review of file; correspondence to client; correspondence to MPD; telephone call to FPC	0.4
01-29-96	Telephone call from FPC; memo to file	0.1
01-31-96	Telephone call from FPC; correspondence to client	0.3
02-08-96	Review of correspondence from FPC; telephone call to FPC	0.2
02-26-96	Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client; memo to file; travel	2.4
03-11-96	Review FPC vote	0.1
03-13-96	Review dismissal; correspondence to client; close file	<u>0.5</u>
	TOTAL HOURS	10.1

DISBURSEMENTS:

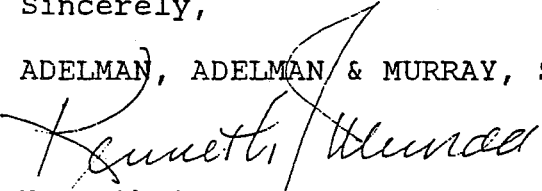
10-17-95	Parking	\$ 1.50
02-26-96	Parking	<u>1.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 2.50

10.1 hours at \$90.00 per hour = \$ 909.00
Disbursements = 2.50

TOTAL DUE = \$ 911.50

Sincerely,

ADELMAN, ADELMAN & MURRAY, S.C.


Kenneth J. Murray
Attorney at Law

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

In Re:
THE CHARGES OF LEON MAYS
AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS STEVEN
RINEBERG AND PETER PFAU

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

To Officer Peter Pfau:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Leon Mays, Complaint No. 95-36, filed with the Board on July 20, 1995, is dismissed because the Complaint has been successfully conciliated, by the

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BY:



KENNETH MUNSON
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cc: Attorney L. Eggert

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