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March 26, 2001

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

Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert Law Office, S.C.

for legal fees for Police Officer Scott Gastrow

C.I. File No. 00-S-13d

**Dear Council Members:** 

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Scott Gastrow. The claim is in the amount of \$356.00 including \$4.00 in disbursements for 3.20 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., <u>Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County</u>, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,

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City Attorney

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Commander Dale Schunk
Milwaukee Police Department
Internal Affairs Division
6680 North Teutonia Avenue, Rm 325
Milwaukee, WI 09

Re: C.I. File No. 00-S-13

Communication from EGGERT LAW OFFICE

Dear Commander Schunk:

Enclosed please find a claim filed by attorney Laurie A. Eggert for Attorney's fees incurred during her representation of officers Fleming & Johnson, Halama, Fohr, Gastrow, Hodnett, Kane et al., Kavanaugh & Karwoski, Kelly & Kezeske, Maio, Narrai & Stojasvljevic, Raap, Sanchez, Simerlein, et al., Villagomez and Whiteside.

Please determine whether these officers were in fact involved in the matters described in Ms. Eggert's claim, and have these 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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January 12, 2000

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

> RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Odette Martinez

Against PO Scott Gastrow Complaint No.: 99-57

Date of Incident: August 17, 1999

ELO No.: 1414

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 burglary 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 seraices rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT LAW OFFICE

Laurie A. Eggert Attorney at Law

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January 12, 2000

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

RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Odette Martinez

Against PO Scott Gastrow

FPC No: 99-57

Date of Incident: August 17, 1999

Location of Incident: 1415 West Arthur Avenue

#### Professional services

J.		Hours
11/1/99	Telephone call from client; open file; memo to file; correspondence to FPC.	0.90
11/19/99	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client.	0.20
12/3/99	Review of file; telephone call to FPC; telephone call to client.	0.20
12/6/99	Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client; memo to file; travel.	1.40
12/23/99	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50
		Amount
	For professional services rendered	3.20 \$352.00

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	Additional charges:		
			Amount
12/6/99	Parking		4.00
	Total costs		\$4.00
	Total amount of this bill		\$356.00
	Balance due		\$356.00

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

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ENGERT LAW TOTAL C. C.

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS: CITY O	OF MILWAUKEE: COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE	
In Re: THE CHARGES OF ODETTE G. MARTINEZ AGAINST DETECTIVE SCOTT GASTROW		
	ORDER OF DISMISSAL	
To Det. Scott Gastrow:		
It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Od	ette G. Martinez, Complaint No. 99-57, filed with the	
Board on August 25, 1999, is dismissed because the (	Complaint lacks sufficient prosecutorial merit, by the	
	MILWAUKEE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS	
	AUGUST G. ERDMANN, CHAIRMAN	
	BY:	

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, DECEMBER 20, 1999.

JOSEPH J. CZARNEZKI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Attorney Laurie Eggert 🗸

#### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**MEMORANDUM** 

FEBRUARY 16, 2000

TO: DET SCOTT GASTROW CRIM INVEST BUR

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 AUGUST 17,1999
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by Oderre marrinez
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on

Is this information correct?

YES\_\_\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_\_\_

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES\_X\_\_\_NO\_\_\_

Your signature:\_

(magaz)

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

Print your name: Scott

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Commander of Police

Internal Affairs Division

DTS:dnp