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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert & Cermele, S.C.

for legal fees for Police Officers Joel Moeller and Paul Vento

C.I. File No. 04-S-19; EC 1982

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Joel Moeller and Paul Vento. The claim is in the amount of \$807.00 including \$4.00 in disbursements for 7.30 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 a criminal investigation. No criminal charges were brought against the police officers on whose behalf this claim was filed.

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,

RANT/F//LANGLEY

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JAN A. SMOKOWICZ Assistant City Attorney

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January 16, 2004

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

RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of POs Joel Moeller and Paul Vento

Allegations Regarding Mr. Lonnie D. Lawson

Date of Incident: September 14, 2003

Location of Incident: 1646 North Prospect Avenue

EC No.: 1982

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 responding to trouble with a subject.

The MPD initiated a criminal investigation in which the officers initially declined to give a statement without counsel. When they requested counsel, IAD compelled POs Moeller and Vento to give statements concerning the incident after issuing PI-21s. Later, the DA did not bring criminal charges against the officers. Attached is a copy of DDA Reddin's letter and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

O. t. for \$807. - EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Attorney at Law

JC/ldl attachment

MOELLER VENTO

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

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Location of Incident: 1646 North Prospect Avenue Professional services	
Frotessional services	
	Hours
10/20/2003 Telephone call from PO Moeller regarding new criminal investigation; open file; memo to file.	0.80
10/29/2003 Review of file; meeting with PO Moeller at IAD; attend PO Moeller's PI-21 statement; conference with Moeller; travel; memo to file.	2.10
11/21/2003 Telephone call from DDA Reddin; review of file.	0.40
12/2/2003 Telephone call to PO Moeller; telephone call to DDA Reddin; telephone call to and from PO Vento; memo to file; telephone call to and from DDA Reddin; telephone call to clients.	0.80
12/3/2003 Telephone call to PO Vento; review of file; meeting with PO Vento at DA's office; attend PO Vento's statement to DA; travel; memo to file.	2.40
12/4/2003 Telephone call from DDA Reddin advising that he would "no process" complaint; correspondence to client; telephone call to PO Moeller.	0.40
12/6/2003 Review of Fax from DDA Reddin confirming complaint was "no processed"; correspondence to clients; close file.	5/13/03 4.00 5/B 0.40 T.C.+ Eggs
For professional services rendered	5/13/05 4.00 5/B 0.40 T. C. to Eggs Respected Amount 10.90 \$1,199.00 803.00 7.3
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Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt

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Additional charges:

Amount

12/3/2003 Parking

4.00

Total costs

\$4.00

Total amount of this bill

807. \$1,203.00

Balance due

\$1,203.1

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Mr. Jon Cermele Eggert & Cermele, S.C. 1840 N. Farwell Ave., #303 Milwaukee, WI 53202-1716

Re:

Incident No. 03-258-3101

Complainant: Lonnie Lawson

Officer(s): Paul Vento & Joel Moeller

Dear Mr. Cermele:

This is to notify you that after reviewing the above incident involving City of Milwaukee Police Officer(s), I have determined that criminal charges will not be issued against them.

Sincerely,

Jon N. Reddin

Deputy District Attorney

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

FEBRAURY 17, 2004

TO: P.O. JOEL MOELLER DISTRICT: FIVE

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 SEPTEMBER 14, 2003
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by LONNIE LAWSON
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

YESX NO____

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES_____NO___

Your signature: P.O. D. Mull

Print your name: P.O. JOEL A. MOELLER

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

Steven M. Settingsgaard KD

Police Commander

Internal Affairs Division

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Your signature: P.O. Caul D. Vente

Print your name: for PAUL S. VENTO

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