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February 25, 2008

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

Re:

Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert Law Office, S.C. for legal fees for Police Officers Laura Litwin and Christopher Kaine C.I. File No. 06-S-371-8; EC 2394

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Laura Litwin and Christopher Kaine. The claim is in the amount of \$458.11 including \$7.11 in disbursements for 4.10 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 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. Wis. Stat. § 895.35, Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

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### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

### **MEMORANDUM**

January 31, 2007

TO: P.O. CHRISTOPHER KAINE

**DISTRICT: ONE** 

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of

Attorney Jonathan Cermele

Attorney Jonathan Cermele 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 NOVEMBER 3, 2005
- 2) A citizen complaint made by NACHERRIE COOPER
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

YES\_<u></u> NO\_\_\_

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES X NO

Your signature: P.O. Chris + aire

Print your name: P.O. CHRIS KAINE

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

Deputy Inspector

Professional Performance Division

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### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

### **MEMORANDUM**

January 31, 2007

TO: P.O. LAURA LITWIN DISTRICT: SIX

**RE:** Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of Attorney Jonathan Cermele

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- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

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November 27, 2006

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

RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. NaCherrie Cooper

Against PO's Laura Litwin and Christopher Kaine

Complaint No.: 05-51

Date of Incident: November 3, 2005

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, this claim is hereby made on their behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved an arrest for disorderly conduct.

The Fire and Police Commission dismissed the complaint. Attached are copies of the dismissal notices and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

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Attachments
LITWIN and KAINE

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	OF MILWAUKEE: COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
In Re: THE CHARGES OF NACHERRIE COOPER AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS LAURA LITWIN AND CHRISTOPHER KAINE	
·	ORDER OF DISMISSAL
To Officer Laura Litwin:  It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of N Board on November 3, 2005, is dismissed due to the	aCherrie Cooper, Complaint No. 05-51, filed with the unavailability of the Complainant, by the
	MILWAUKEE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS
	LEONARD J. SOBCZAK, CHAIRMAN
	BY:
	DAVID L. HEARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, OCTOBER 30, 2006.

Attorney Rachel Pings 🦯

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### November 27, 2006

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

RE:

Citizen Complaint of Ms. NaCherrie L. Cooper Against PO's Laura Litwin and Christopher Kaine

FPC No: 05-51

Date of Incident: November 3, 2005

Professional services

		Hours
2/7/2006	Review citizen complaint delivered by PO Litwin; telephone call to PO Litwin; open file; Open Records request; review citizen CCAP and Muni websites.	1.00
3/9/2006	Receive and review Open Records response.	0.20
4/25/2006	Telephone call from PO Litwin regarding updated vacation dates.	0.10
5/3/2006	Receive and review correspondence from FPC regarding Open Records request.	0.10
8/8/2006	Telephone call from and to FPC regarding scheduling conciliation; calendar same.	0.20
8/29/2006	Initial conference with PO Kaine; add PO Kaine to file; memo to file.	0.50
	Review file.	0.30
8/30/2006	Review and sign correspondence to FPC.	O.10

Mr. Ronald	Leonhardt	Page 2
·		Hours
9/6/2006	Review file as preparation for conciliation; listen to audio tape of 911 call with Granitz.	0.30
9/7/2006	Travel to City Hall to perform conciliation; conference with clients; citizen no-show; return travel.	1.00
9/8/2006	Receive and review undeliverable correspondence to citizen.	0.10
11/2/2006	Receive and review FPC Order Dismissing citizen complaint; correspondence to client; close file.	0.20
		Amount
••	For professional services rendered 4.10 Additional charges:	\$451.00
3/3/2006	MPD Open Records request	5.61
9/7/2006	Parking	1.50
	Total costs	\$7.11
	Total amount of this bill	\$458.11
	Balance due	\$458.11

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)