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February 8, 2008

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for legal fees for  
Police Officer Rena Rokus  
C.I. File No. 06-S-257; EC 2364

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Rena Rokus. The claim is in the amount of \$756.00 including \$8.00 in disbursements for 6.80 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 officer 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Grant F. Langley".

GRANT F. LANGLEY  
City Attorney

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jan A. Smokowicz".

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ  
Assistant City Attorney

JAS:amp  
Enc.

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

September 12, 2006

TO: P.O. RENA ROKUS  
DISTRICT: TWO

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of  
Attorney Laurie Eggert

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 APRIL 21, 2006
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct? YES  NO

Did you receive legal representation in this matter? YES  NO

Your signature: P.O. Rena M. Rokus ROKUS

Print your name: RENA M. ROKUS

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

MARY K. HOERIG  
Deputy Inspector  
Professional Performance Division

MKH:kjs

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 DIVISION  
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August 17, 2006

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

CITY OF MILWAUKEE  
2006 AUG 28 PM 4:17  
RONALD D. LEONHARDT  
CITY CLERK

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Rena Rokus**  
**Date of Incident: April 21, 2006**  
**Location of Incident: 20<sup>th</sup> and Howard**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

The above-named police officer has retained us to represent her in connection with the above-referenced matter. Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent her and, as she was performing the duties of her office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, this claim is hereby made on her behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved a vehicular pursuit.

The MPD conducted a criminal investigation and investigated the matter as a critical incident. No charges were issued, and the officers actions were deemed appropriate. Attached is an itemization of the time and services rendered.

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CITY ATTORNEY

Sincerely,

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

JC/kjs  
Attachment  
ROKUS

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August 18, 2006

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt  
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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Pursuit  
Regarding: PO Rena Rokus  
Date of Incident: April 21, 2006  
Location of Incident: 20th and Howard  
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
4/21/2006 Telephone call from MPA regarding critical incident; open file; travel to scene; meeting with PO Rokus; meeting with CIB; travel to PAB; meeting with PO Rokus; attend PO Rokus' statement to CIB; return travel; memo to file.	6.30
6/28/2006 Telephone call to CIB confirming investigation not forwarded to DA for any criminal charges; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50
	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	✓ 6.80 ✓ \$748.00
Additional charges:	
4/21/2006 Parking	8.00
Total costs	<u>\$8.00</u>
Total amount of this bill	✓ <u>\$756.00</u>

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt

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Amount

Balance due

\$756.00

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)