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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. Re:

for legal fees for Police Officer Michael Lutz

C.I. File No. 00-S-419/ELO 1542

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Michael Lutz. The claim is in the amount of \$926.65, including \$13.65 in disbursements for 8.30 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 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. Sec. 895.35, Stats., Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,

GRANT F. LANGLEY

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JAN A. SMOKOWICZ **Assistant City Attorney** 

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November 16, 2000

Commander Dale Schunk
Milwaukee Police Department
Internal Affairs Division
6680 North Teutonia Avenue, Rm 325
Milwaukee, WI 53209

Re: C.I. File No. 00-S-419

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 Amberg, Anderer/Rodriguez, Anderson, Bartlett/Jack, Blaszak/Carrasco, Boswell/Heaney/Pruitt, Chu/Scanlan, Curtis, et al., Farina, Goldberg, Heim/Pierce, Kronschnabel, Lutz, Miscichoski, Novak, Rozga and Tabaska.

Please determine whether these officers were in fact involved in the matter 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

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November 7, 2000

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

> RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Michael Lutz Allegations Regarding Mr. Antonio Epps Date of Incident: June 19, 2000 Location of Incident: 10001 W. Watertown Plank Rd. ELO No.: 1542

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 an attempt to take an escaped prisoner into custody. Charges will not be issued against the officer. Attached is a copy of the clearance report and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT LAW OFFICE S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert

Attorney at Law

JC/ldl

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation Regarding: PO Michael Lutz

Date of Incident: June 19, 2000

Location of Incident: 10001 W. Watertown Plank Rd.

### Professional services

		Hours
6/19/00	Telephone call from PO Lutz; open file.	0.60
6/20/00	Discussion with IAD; several telephone calls from PO Lutz; office conference with client; memo to file.	1.50
6/21/00	Discussion with witness; several telephone calls to IAD; memo to file.	0.80
6/22/00	Several telephone calls to and from client.	0.40
6/29/00	Telephone call from client; memo to file.	0.10
7/10/00	Review of file; telephone call to IAD; telephone call to and from DA; telephone call to client.	0.70
7/11/00	Review of file; meeting with client at DA's office; attend charging conference; meeting with client; travel; memo to file.	1.80

		Hours	
7/28/00	Telephone call to IAD.	0.20	
7/31/00	Telephone call from DDA Reddin; memo to file.	0.10	
8/1/00	Telephone call from DDA Reddin; telephone call to and from IAD; telephone call to client.	0.40	
8/8/00	Telephone call to IAD.	0.10	
8/14/00	Telephone call to IAD.	0.40	
8/23/00	Telephone call to IAD; telephone call to DDA Reddin.	0.20	
8/25/00	Review of correspondence from DDA Reddin; telephone call to client; correspondence to client; correspondence to MPD Open Records.	0.50	
10/25/00	Review of correspondence from MPD Open Records; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50	
		<del> </del>	Amount
	For professional services rendered  Additional charges:	8.30	\$913.00
7/11/00	Parking		2.00
10/23/00	MPD Open Records request		11.65
	Total costs		\$13.65
	Total amount of this bill		\$926.65

Mr.	Ronald D. Leon	ıhardt	Page 3
			Amount
	Balance d	lue	\$926.65

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

RE: CIU#00-171 - SUBSTANTIAL BATTERY PAGE 3

causing cuts and bruises to his right leg. He pepper sprayed the who continuously resisted. Then he directed focus strikes to the face and head area with a closed fist. Finally, his partner assisted him and they successfully. Also they called for an ambulance to treat the injuries and the was later transported to Milwaukee County Children's Hospital for treatment.

On August 23, 2000, Deputy DA REDDIN decided not to issue any charges against Officer LUTZ and based his decision on the fact that the \( \) ignored Officer LUTZ'S verbal commands and attacked him \( \) \( \) Officer LUTZ was entitled to use the level of force he used to stop the subject's actions

#### **CONCLUSION:**

Investigation by the Criminal Investigation Unit revealed that Antonio EPPS by Officer LUTZ. EPPS claims that he was complying with the officer's orders and he was maced and beaten for no apparent reason. However, Officer LUTZ indicated that the unrefused to comply with his instructions and attacked him uncausing him to suffer injuries to his right leg. All the witnesses who were interviewed observed a struggle but because of their vantage point did not observe all the essential elements of this offense. EPPS was also upertaining to this incident. Lastly, Deputy DA REDDIN refused to issue the charge of substantial battery against Officer LUTZ. This incident will be cleared as warrant refused.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS
DIVISION
Received SEP 2000
Referred Lounce
By Carol Val Dochuk

Respectfully submitted:

Jeffery HOOVER
Police Detective
CIU/IAD, Day Shift

JII/st 09-04-00 00-171.SUM

#### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**MEMORANDUM** 

**JANUARY 3, 2001** 

PO MICHAEL LUTZ TO:

DISTRICT ONE

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:

An incident occurring on JUNE 19, 2000 1)

A citizen's complaint made by 2)

A police shooting incident occurring on 3)

Is this information correct?

YES NO

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES

NO

Your signature:

Print your name: MITHAE

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

DALE T. SCHUNK

Commander of Police

Internal Affairs Division

DTS:dnp