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January 31, 2005

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 Officer Erwin Estacio

C.I. File No. 03-S-216; ELO 1881

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Erwin Estacio. The claim is in the amount of \$163.54 including \$9.54 in disbursements for 1.40 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,

GRANT/F//ANGLEY City Attorney

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ Assistant City Attorney

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May 9, 2003

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

RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Erwin Estacio

Allegations Regarding Matthew Zoltek/Matthew Kohls

Date of Incident: July 7, 2002

Location of Incident: 1946 North Cambridge Avenue

EC No.: 1881

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 the investigation of a nuisance complaint. 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 & CERMELE, S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert Attorney at Law

JC/ldl attachment 1/29/05 O.K. JAS

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May 8, 2003

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

RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Matthew Zoltek/Matthew Kohls

Regarding: POs Erwin Estacio Date of Incident: July 7, 2002

Location of Incident: 1946 North Cambridge Avenue

Professional services

		Hours	
8/15/02	Telephone call from PO Estacio regarding new criminal investigation; open file; memo to file.	0.80	
1/9/03	Fax to DDA Reddin.	0.10	
4/14/03	Review of correspondence from MPD Open Records; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50	
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	For professional services rendered	1.40	\$154.00
	Additional charges:		
4/14/03	MPD Open Records request		9.54
	Total costs		\$9.54
	Total amount of this bill	- +	\$163.54

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt	Page 2
	Amount
Balance due	\$163.54

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

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# ANCE REPORT

### INVESTIGATIVE NARRATIVE:

This report was dictated by Detective Mark LEVENHAGEN, of the Criminal Investigation Unit /Internal Affairs Division (CIU/IAD), day shift.

On Tuesday, October 01, 2002, I, Squad 356, Detective LEVENHAGEN, spoke with Deputy Distric Attorney Jon REDDIN regarding this incident. After reviewing the facts of the case, DDA REDDIN decided that there was not enough evidence to prove any criminal wrong doing by any Milwaukee Police Officer involved in this incident and he "No Processed" the case.

The investigation revealed that Officers involved in the arrest of Matthew KOHLS made a valid arrest. There was no physical evidence of any injuries to Matthew KOHLS and both Police Officers who were interviewed regarding this incident, Police Officer Erwin ESTACIO, payroll number 67337 and Officer Melissa PETTKE payroll number 65273 gave statements, in which they denied ever choking or seeing Matthew KOHLS being choked by anyone. The only potential witness, Matthew KOHLS' friend, Matthew ZOLTAK who was arrested along with KOHLS stated that at one point, he went back to the little room outside the Fifth District garage and KOHLS said that one of the officers had grabbed his throat. ZOLTAK stated that KOHLS never said anything about an officer choking him, and he (ZOLTAK) never observed any problems at District Five between KOHLS and any of the officers. This case is being filed as unfounded. This ends the investigation, pending any new information that may come forward in the future.

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### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

June 5, 2003

TO: P.O. ERWIN ESTACIO

DISTRICT FIVE

Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of RE:

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 JULY 7, 2002 1)
- A citizen's complaint made by MATTHEW ZOLTEK/MATTHEW KOHLS 2)
- A police shooting incident occurring on N/A 3)

Is this information correct?

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

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YES	: V	NO	

Your signature: Crwy

Print your name: ERWIN ESTACIO

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

Steven M. Settingsgaard

Police Commander

Internal Affairs Division

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