

# CITY OF MILWAUKEE

Form CA-43

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April 9, 2001

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 John Amberg and Gregory Wagner  
C.I. File No. 00-S-178(e)**


Dear Council Members:


Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers John Amberg and Gregory Wagner. The claim is in the amount of \$936.50 including \$1.50 in disbursements for 8.50 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. 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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June 12, 2000

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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-178  
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 Christopher Elser and Donald Antoniak, John Ambert and Gregory Wagner, Tim Koestering, Mary Lutz, Peter Reichert and Brian Stott, Karen Thomas and Michael Terrell, Kenneth Walkowiak and Britt Kohnert, Steve Chin, Kevin Cahn, Chris Elser and Nathan Yeo and Leroy White.

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  
Assistant City Attorney

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Enclosure

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS  
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**EGGERT LAW OFFICE, S.C.**

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June 6, 2000

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

CITY OF MILWAUKEE  
'00 JUN - 7 PM 12: 55  
RONALD D. LEONHARDT  
CITY CLERK

RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Mary H. Cornish  
Against POs John Amberg and Gregory Wagner  
Complaint No.: 00-03  
Date of Incident: December 12, 1999  
ELO No.: 1489

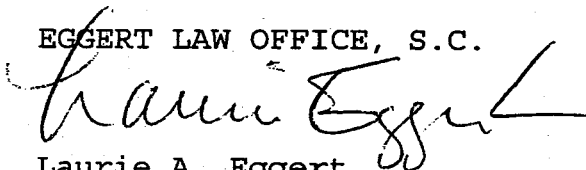
Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

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 issuance of a traffic citation. The Fire and Police Commission dismissed the complaint. Attached is a copy of the dismissal notice and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

EGGERT LAW OFFICE, S.C.



Laurie A. Eggert  
Attorney at Law

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RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Mary H. Cornish  
Against POs John Amberg and Gregory Wagner  
FPC No: 00-03  
Date of Incident: December 12, 1999  
Location of Incident: 60th St. and Mill Road

Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
1/27/00 Conference with client; open file; review documents; correspondence to FPC.	1.30
2/7/00 Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
2/14/00 Telephone call from client; memo to file; review of file.	0.20
2/18/00 Telephone call from Heard; memo to file; review of file.	0.30
2/22/00 Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client.	0.20
2/25/00 Review of file.	0.20
2/28/00 Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client; memo to file; travel.	1.40

	<u>Hours</u>	
3/22/00 Telephone call from Wagner; correspondence to FPC.	0.60	
3/28/00 Telephone call from FPC; review of file.	0.20	
Telephone call from FPC; review of file.	0.20	
3/29/00 Review documents from Wagner; telephone call from FPC.	0.50	
3/31/00 Telephone call from FPC.	0.10	
4/5/00 Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client.	0.20	
4/13/00 Telephone call from FPC; review of file.	0.40	
4/14/00 Preparation for and appearance at conciliation; conference with client; memo to file; travel.	1.80	
4/17/00 Conference with FPC.	0.10	
5/12/00 Telephone call FPC; memo to file.	0.30	
5/23/00 Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to clients; close file.	0.40	
		<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	8.50	\$935.00
Additional charges:		
2/28/00 Parking		1.50
4/14/00 Parking		0.00
Total costs		<u>\$1.50</u>

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

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	<u>Amount</u>
Total amount of this bill	<u>\$936.50</u>
Balance due	<u>\$936.50</u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

MAY 23 2000

BOARD OF  
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS : CITY OF MILWAUKEE : COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

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In Re:  
THE CHARGES OF MARY H. CORNISH  
AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS GREGORY  
WAGNER AND JOHN AMBERG

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

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To Officer Gregory Wagner:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Mary H. Cornish, Complaint No. 2000-03, filed with the Board on December 23, 1999, and amended on March 2, 2000, is dismissed because the Complaint has been successfully conciliated, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF  
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

AUGUST G. ERDMANN,  
CHAIRMAN

BY:



JOSEPH J. CZARNEZKI  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, MAY 19, 2000.

c: Attorney Laurie Eggert ✓

MAY 13 2000

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, MAY 19, 2000.

c: Attorney Laurie Eggert



MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

JUNE 21, 2000

TO: PO JOHN AMBERG  
DISTRICT ONE

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 DECEMBER 12, 1999
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on

Is this information correct?

YES X NO \_\_\_\_\_

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES X NO \_\_\_\_\_

Your signature: John Amberg

Print your name: John Amberg

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

Dale T. Schunk  
DALE T. SCHUNK *jt*  
Police Commander  
Internal Affairs Division

DTS:dnp

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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DISTRICT FOUR

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Your signature: P.O. Gregory S. Wagner

Print your name: P.O. GREGORY S. WAGNER

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*Dale T. Schunk*

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Police Commander  
Internal Affairs Division

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