#### **GRANT F. LANGLEY**

City Attorney

RUDOLPH M. KONRAD LINDA ULISS BURKE VINCENT D. MOSCHELLA Deputy City Attorneys



June 18, 2007

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

Re: Communication from Laurie Eggert, Eggert & Cermele, S.C.

for legal fees for Police Officers Michael Hersh and Kurt Meyle

C.I. File No. 04-S-410; EC No. 2091

THOMAS O. GARTNER **BRUCE D. SCHRIMPF** ROXANE L. CRAWFORD SUSAN D. BICKERT STUART S. MUKAMAL THOMAS J. BEAMISH **MAURITA F. HOUREN** JOHN J. HEINEN MICHAEL G. TOBIN **DAVID J. STANOSZ** SUSAN E. LAPPEN JAN A. SMOKOWICZ PATRICIA A. FRICKER **HEIDI WICK SPOERL KURT A. BEHLING GREGG C. HAGOPIAN ELLEN H. TANGEN MELANIE R. SWANK** JAY A. UNORA DONALD L. SCHRIEFER **EDWARD M. EHRLICH** LEONARD A. TOKUS VINCENT J. BOBOT MIRIAM R. HORWITZ MARYNELL REGAN G. O'SULLIVAN-CROWLEY KATHRYN M. ZALEWSKI MEGAN T. CRUMP **ELOISA DE LEÓN ADAM B. STEPHENS KEVIN P. SULLIVAN BETH CONRADSON CLEARY** THOMAS D. MILLER Assistant City Attorneys

### Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Michael Hersh and Kurt Meyle. The claim is in the amount of \$634.35, including \$7.35 in disbursements for 5.70 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).

Very truly yours,

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ Assistant City Attorney

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# EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Attorneys at Law

Laurie A. Eggert Jonathan Cermele Rachel L. Pings 1840 North Farwell Avenue Suite 303 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202 (414) 276-8750 FAX (414) 276-8906

November 5, 2004

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

RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Charles Fletcher

Against POs Michael Hersh and Kurt Meyle

Complaint No.: 04-28

Date of Incident: February 3, 2004

EC No.: 2091

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 municipal 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,

EGØERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert Attorney at Law

RLP/LAE/ldl attachment HERSH MEYLE EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

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November 05, 2004

Suite 303

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

RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Charles Fletcher Against POs Michael Hersh and Kurt Meyle

FPC No: 04-28

Date of Incident: February 3, 2004

Professional services

			Hours
5/21/2004	Initial conference with client; memo to file; review complainant's cri and municipal history; correspondence to MPD Open Records; correspondence to FPC; open file.	minal	1.50
5/26/2004	Review of correspondence from FPC; conference with Meyle; memo correspondence to FPC.	to file;	0.60
5/28/2004	Telephone call from FPC.		0.10
6/3/2004	Correspondence from FPC.		0.10
6/25/2004	Review of file; preparation for and appearance at conciliation; travel; conference with clients; memo to file.		2.50
7/16/2004	Telephone call from open records; memo to file.		0.20
7/19/2004	Review of correspondence from MPD Open Records.		0.20
9/29/2004	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to clients; close	e file.	0.50
			Amount
	For professional services rendered	5.70	\$627.00

 Mr. Ronald Leonhardt
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 Additional charges:

 Amount

 6/25/2004 Parking
 5.00

 7/19/2004 MPD Open Records request
 2.35

 Total costs
 \$7.35

 Total amount of this bill
 \$634.35

 Balance due
 \$634.35

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS: CITY OF MI	LWAUKEE: COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
In Re: THE CHARGES OF CHARLES FLETCHER AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS MICHAEL HERSH AND KURT MEYLE SR.	RECEIVED  SEC 2 8 2004  EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.
	ORDER OF DISMISSAL

To Officer Michael Hersh:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Charles Fletcher, Complaint No. 04-28, filed with the Board on February 26, 2004, is dismissed because the Complainant has requested that the Complaint be dismissed, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

ERIC MANDEL JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

BY:

DAVID L. HEARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, SEPTEMBER 24, 2004.

c: Attorney Rachel Pings

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS: CITY OF MILWAUKE	E : COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
In Re: THE CHARGES OF CHARLES FLETCHER AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS MICHAEL HERSH	RECEIVED SEP 2 8 2004

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DAVID L. HEARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, SEPTEMBER 24, 2004.

c: Attorney Rachel Pings

## MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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MEMORANDUM

04 NOV November 17, 2004

TO: P.O. MICHAEL HERSH

DISTRICT: SOB CYCLES

MARINE TAKS

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 FEBRUARY 3, 2004
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by CHARLES FLETCHER
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

YES NO\_\_\_\_

Did you receive legal representation

in this matter?

soon as possible.

es\_\_\_\_\_no\_\_\_

Your signature:

Print your name:

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

MARY K. HOERIG

Captain of Police

Professional Performance Division

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## MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

November 17, 2004

TO: P.O. KURT MEYLE DISTRICT: FOUR

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Is this information correct?	YESNO
Did you receive legal representation	
in this matter?	YESNO
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Your signature:	F.V. Ful Wylt.
Print your name:	P.O. KURT MEYLE

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

> MARY K. HOERIG Captain of Police

Professional Performance Division

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