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June 24, 2009

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Jon Cermele, Cermele & Associates, S.C.
for legal fees for Police Officer Efrain Cornejo
EC 2644

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jon Cermele for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Efrain Cornejo. The claim is in the amount of \$308.00 for 2.80 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. Sec. 895.35, Stats., Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,

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

GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney

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

JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
Assistant City Attorney

JAS
Enc.

1032-2008-3509.002:147318

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

January 5, 2009

TO: P.O. EFRAIN CORNEJO
DISTRICT: TWO

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of
Attorney Jonathan Cermele

Attorney Jonathan Cermele 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: MARCH 10, 2008
- 2) An incident regarding complaint of: PEDRO VELASQUEZ
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on: N/A

Is this information correct?

YES X NO

Did you receive legal representation
in this matter?

YES X NO

Your signature: PO Efrain Cornejo

Print your name: EFRAIN CORNEJO

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

KURT R. LEIBOLD
Acting Captain of Police
Professional Performance Division

MILWAUKEE POLICE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
DIVISION

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September 16, 2008

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

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Efrain Cornejo
Allegations Regarding Mr. Pedro Velasquez
Date of Incident: March 10, 2008
Location of Incident: 3367-A South 14th Street**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

Pursuant to Article 58 of the 2007-2009 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Milwaukee Police Association, the City should request that this claim be placed on the Common Council Committee agenda within 180 days of its receipt.

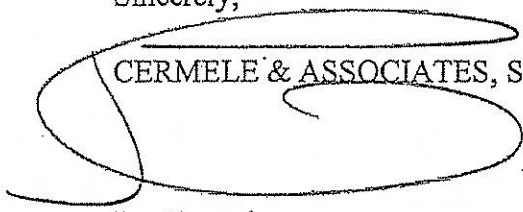
The above-named police officer has retained us to represent him in connection with the above-referenced matter.

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, this claim is hereby made on his behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved an investigation and arrest.

According to correspondence from Acting Captain Leibold, the allegation is unfounded. As such, no charges were issued against the officer. Attached is a copy of the letter along with status of the CIS Investigatory file and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

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Attachments
CORNEJO

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Professional services

		<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5/1/2008	MG Lengthy telephone call from PO Cornejo regarding new criminal investigation; calendar office conference with same; open file.	0.50	55.00
	MG Telephone call to PO Cornejo.	0.30	33.00
5/2/2008	MG Office conference with PO Cornejo; telephone call to PPD; memo to file; calendar follow-up.	1.00	110.00
5/6/2008	MG Telephone call to PO Cornejo; memo to file.	0.30	33.00
6/19/2008	MG Fax to PPD regarding status; calendar follow-up.	0.20	22.00
7/21/2008	MG Fax to PPD seeking written clearance confirmation; calendar follow-up.	0.20	22.00
8/28/2008	MG Receive and review correspondence from PPD confirming case has been suspended; review file; correspondence to client regarding same; close file.	0.30	33.00

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	✓ 2.80	✓ \$308.00
Balance due		<u>\$308.00</u>



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AUG 28 2008

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Edward A. Flynn
Chief of Police

Police Department


Monday, August 25, 2008

Matthew GRANITZ
Attorney At Law
6310 West Bluemound Road
Suite 200
Milwaukee, WI 53213

Dear Mr. GRANITZ:

This letter is in response to your inquiries regarding the status of CIS Investigatory Files.

Attached please find the requested information. If further assistance is needed Lieutenant of Detectives Karen Dubis can be contacted at 935-3540.

Sincerely,


KURT LEIBOLD
ACTING CAPTAIN OF POLICE

CIS FILE NO.	PPD FILE NO.	COMPLAINANT	ALLEGATION	DISPOSITION
1. 07-160	07-0768	DOLENSHEK, DUANE	MISC PUBLIC OFFICE	SUSPENDED-PEND NEW INFO
2. 08-046	08-0193	MOORE, OTIS	THEFT-EARRING	SUSPENDED-PEND NEW INFO
3. 08-016	07-0993	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	THEFT OF MONEY	SUSPENDED-PEND NEW INFO
4. 08-036	08-0121	VELASQUEZ, PEDRO	BATTERY	UNFOUNDED
5. 08-040	08-0171	GREER, MARVIN D.	ILLEGAL STRIP SEARCH	UNFOUNDED
6. 08-055	08-0249	HOLTZ, KIMBERLY	BATTERY	BASELESS
7. 07-147	07-0696	WILLIAMS, TRAVIS D.	SUBSTANTIAL BATTERY	BASELESS