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November 13, 2002

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 Officer Michael Austin C.I. File No. 01-S-272; ELO No. 1660

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Michael Austin. The claim is in the amount of \$1,270.86 including \$16.86 in disbursements for 11.40 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 the filing of a citizen's complaint against the officer 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., <u>Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County</u>, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,

GRANT/F/LANGLEY

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August 2, 2001

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

RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Terri Young Against PO Michael Austin Complaint No.: 00-16 Date of Incident: March 21, 2000 ELO No.: 1660

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 taking a juvenile into custody. 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

11/12/02 0.K. JAS Letter 2295

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August 2, 2001

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

RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Terri L. Young

Against PO Michael Austin

FPC No: 00-16

Date of Incident: March 21, 2000

Location of Incident: 2027 North Holton

### Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
05/24/00 Conference with client; open file; memo to file; correspondence to FPC.	1.20
05/31/00 Telephone call from FPC; telephone call to FPC; review of file.	0.60
06/01/00 Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
06/05/00 Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; review of file.	0.20
06/08/00 Telephone call from client; review of file; telephone call to and from FPC; memo to file.	0.70
06/09/00 Review of file.	0.10
06/29/00 Review of file; telephone call to client.	0.30

		Hours
09/11/00	Telephone call from Heard; review of file; telephone call to FPC.	0.30
09/18/00	Telephone call from FPC.	0.10
10/04/00	Review of file; telephone call to and from FPC.	0.30
10/10/00	Telephone call from and to FPC; memo to file; review complaint; telephone call to client.	0.70
10/11/00	Telephone call to and from FPC; telephone call to and from client.	0.40
10/12/00	Telephone call from FPC.	0.10
10/23/00	Telephone call from client.	0.10
10/24/00	Telephone call from FPC; review of file; memo to file.	0.30
10/31/00	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; memo to file; review of file.	0.30
11/01/00	Telephone call from FPC; telephone call to client; review of file; memo to file; correspondence to MPD Open Records.	0.60
11/02/00	Telephone call from client; telephone call to FPC.	0.20
11/03/00	Telephone call from and to FPC; review of file; review of correspondence from FPC.	0.30

		Hours
11/06/00	Conference with FPC; review of correspondence from FPC; memo to file.	0.30
11/07/00	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client.	0.20
11/15/00	Conference with client; memo to file; telephone call to and from FPC.	0.40
11/17/00	Review of correspondence from FPC.	0.10
12/04/00	Telephone call from and to FPC; review of file.	0.30
12/07/00	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client.	0.30
01/03/01	Telephone call from MPD Open Records; memo to file.	0.20
01/10/01	Review of correspondence from MPD Open Records.	0.10
02/06/01	Review of correspondence from FPC; telephone call to FPC (2); memo to file; telephone call to and from client.	0.80
02/07/01	Telephone call from FPC; memo to file; review of file.	0.30
03/07/01	Telephone call from FPC; review of file.	0.30
03/15/01	Telephone call from FPC; telephone call to and from client; memo to file.	0.60
03/29/01	Telephone call from FPC.	0.10
04/10/01	Review of correspondence from FPC; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50

Mr. Ronald	Leonhardt
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		Hours	Amount
	For professional services rendered	11.40	\$1,254.00
	Additional charges:		
01/10/01	MPD Open Records request		16.86
	Total costs		\$16.86
•	Total amount of this bill	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$1,270.86
	Balance due		\$1,270.86

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour through 12/31/1998)

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLIC	CE COMMISSIONERS : C	ITY OF MILWAUKE	E: COUNTY OF 1	MILWAUKEE
	OF TERRI YOUNG CE OFFICER MICHAEL AU	JSTIN		
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To Officer Michael Austin:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Terri Young, Complaint No. 2000-16, filed with the Board on March 24, 2000, is dismissed because the Complainant has requested that the Complaint be dismissed, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

WOODY WELCH, CHAIRMAN

( )

JOSEPH J. CZARNEŹKI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, APRIL 6, 2001.

Attorney Laurie Eggert 🔪

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#### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**MEMORANDUM** 

SEPTEMBER 18,2001

P.O. MICHAEL AUSTIN

DISTRICT THREE

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:

- An incident occurring on MARCH 21, 2000 1)
- A citizen's complaint made by TERRI YOUNG
- A police shooting incident occurring on

Is this information correct?

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

Your signature:

CS > Print your name: Michael AnsTEN

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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