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November 11, 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 Lafayette Emmons C.I. File No. 01-S-99/8; ELO No. 1605

**Dear Council Members:** 

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Lafayette Emmons. The claim is in the amount of \$487.55, including \$3.55 in disbursements, for 4.40 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 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,

GRANT/A LANGLEY

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March 15, 2001

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

> RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Lafayette Emmons Allegations Regarding Mr. James Ostrowski Date of Incident: August 19, 2000 Location of Incident: District #2 ELO No.: 1605

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 a traffic stop. 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 LAW OFFICE, S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert

Attorney at Law V

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Mr. James J. Ostrowski

Regarding: PO Lafayette Emmons

Date of Incident: August 19, 2000 Location of Incident: District #2

## Professional services

		Hours	
9/6/00	Telephone call from IAD; telephone call to PO Emmons; open file.	0.40	
9/7/00	Telephone call from PO Emmons; telephone call to IAD; office conference with PO Emmons.	1.30	
9/8/00	Review of file; meeting with PO Emmons at IAD; attend PO Emmons' statement to IAD; travel; memo to file.	1.70	
10/17/00	Telephone call IAD.	0.10	
	Telephone call to IAD; correspondence to MPD Open Records; correspondence to client.	0.40	
1/8/01	Review of correspondence from MPD Open Records; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50	Amount
	For professional services rendered	4.40	\$484.00

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•	Additional charges:	
		Amount
1/8/01	MPD Open Records request	3.55
	Total costs	\$3.55
X	Total amount of this bill	\$487.55
ca.	Balance due	 \$487.55

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

### INVESTIGATION NARRATIVE

This report is written by Detective Michael SYKES of the Internal Affairs Division/ Criminal Investigation Unit, day shift.

Upon completion of this investigation, I have found no evidence which would support the allegations made by complainant James OSTROWSKI. MPD records do indicate a prior Possession of Controlled Substance/Marijuana arrest of OSTROWSKI under similar circumstances. Charges being issued by the District Attorney's Office in this incident indicate that OSTROWSKI will be prosecuted for Possession of Controlled Substance/Marijuana. With no additional information which would implicate Officer EMMONS as a suspect, this investigation will be cleared as baseless and unfounded.

REVIEWING D.A. NONE	P.O./DET. / Detective		COURT CASE NUMBER	
FINAL CHARGE NONE	dispositio 11-28		VICTIM NOTIFIED BY SYKES	
INCIDENT CLEARED BY ARREST 18 OR OVER STATUS PARTIAL CLEARANCE BY ARREST X UNFOUNDED/BASELESS NO PROSECUTION DESIRED	PROPERTY RECOVERED WARRANT REFUSED		ARREST UNDER 18  _A. DETAINED AT M.C.C.C.  B.ORDER IN TO MC.C.C.C.  _WAIVED AS AN ADULTDATE:	
C.I.B. ADMINISTRATIVE USE ONLY  CLEARED A. DEATH OF OFFENDER  EXCEPTIONALLY B. PROSECUTION DECLINED	C. EXTRADITION DENIED D. REFUSED TO COOOPERATE	E. JUVENILE NO CUSTODY		
JUSTIFIABLE A. SUSP ATTACKED P.O. AND SAME HOMICIDE B. SUSP ATTACKED P.O. AND OTHER C. SUSP. ATTACKED CIVILIAN D. SUSP. ATTEMPTED FLIGHT FROM	P.O. KILLED SUSP.	F. SUSP. RESIST G. UNABLE TO D	ETERMINE/NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION LED BY PRIVATE CITIZEN	

#### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

APRIL 27, 2001

TO: PO LAFLYETTE EMMONS

DISTRICT TWO

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 AUGUST 19, 2000 A citizen's complaint made by A police shooting incident occurring en

Is this information correct?

YES NO

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

Your signature:\_

Print your name: Latayette Emmons

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

DALE T. SCHUNK JU

Commander of Police

Internal Affairs Division

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