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June 15, 2007

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

Re:

Communication from Attorney Laurie Eggert, Eggert & Cermele, S.C.

for legal fees for Police Officers Robert Kendziorski and David Skonieczny; C.I. File No. 04-S-410; EC 2093

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Robert Kendziorski and David Skonieczny. The claim is in the amount of \$778.00, including \$8.00 in disbursements, for 7.00 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110 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. A criminal investigation was initiated against the police officers on whose behalf this claim was filed, but they were ultimately not charged.

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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November 5, 2004

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

RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of POs Robert Kendziorski and David

Skonieczny

Allegations regarding a critical incident

Date of Incident: August 12, 2004 Location of Incident: 7<sup>th</sup> and Melvina

EC No.: 2093

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 a critical incident.

DDA Martin reviewed the matter and did not issue charges against the officers. Attached is a copy of DDA Martin's letter and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

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Sincerely,

EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Laurie A. Eggert

Attorney at Law

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November 05, 2004

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Critical Incident

Regarding: POs Robert Kendziorski and David Skonieczny

Date of Incident: August 12, 2004 Location of Incident: 7th and Melvina

Professional services

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8/12/2004	Telephone call from PO Kendziorski regarding critical incident; telephone call to and from witnesses; telephone call to and from CIB; open file; meeting with CIB; meeting with POs Kendziorski and Skonieczny; meeting with witnesses; attend Skonieczny's statement to CIB and DA; attend Kendziorski's statement to CIB and DA; travel; memos to file.	6.10
8/16/2004	Telephone call to and from CIB.	0.40
8/20/2004	Receive and review Fax from DDA Martin to Chief Hegerty confirming that the use of deadly force was justified; telephone call to clients; correspondence to clients; close file.	0.50
		Amount
	For professional services rendered 7.00 Additional charges:	\$770.00
8/12/2004	Parking	8.00
	Total costs	\$8.00
	Total amount of this bill	\$778.00

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	Amount
Balance due	\$778.00

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Nannette H. Hegerty, Chief of Police Milwaukee Police Department Police Administration Building 749 West State Street Milwaukee, WI 53233

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## Dear Chief Hegerty:

We conducted an investigation into the shooting of Donnell Johnson by Milwaukee police officers Robert Kendziorski and David Skonieczny on August 12, 2004, near the intersection of North 7<sup>th</sup> and West Melvina Streets in Milwaukee.

We concluded that the officers' shooting of Johnson was privileged in self-defense and defense of others, pursuant to section 939.48, Wis. Stats.

Johnson discharged a gun on North 28<sup>th</sup> Street, led police on a long and dangerous chase, ran from the police with the gun in hand after crashing his car, ignored repeated police commands to drop the gun, and turned and pointed the gun towards Officer Kendziorski. Under those circumstances, the officers reasonably concluded that the use of deadly force was necessary to prevent imminent death or great bodily harm to themselves and to others.

Thank you for your department's full and complete cooperation in our investigation.

Sincerely,

James J. Martin

Deputy District Attorney

Cc: Lt. David Zibolski

Jonathan Cermele, Esq. v

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### MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**MEMORANDUM** 

04 NOV 19 PM 3: 24 November 17, 2004

TO: P.O. ROBERT KENDZIORSKI

DISTRICT: SEVEN

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 AUGUST 12, 2004
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by (CRITICAL INCIDENT)
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

YES\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_

Did you receive legal representation

in this matter?

YES\_

NO

Your signature:

Print your name:

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

MARY K. HOERIG

Captain of Police

Professional Performance Division

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MARY K. HOERIG

Captain of Police

Professional Performance Division

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