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January 26, 2026

Kristi Onstot
Executive Secretary
Executive Council
State Capitol
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Re: Payment of Claims for Fees by Outside Counsel

Dear Kristi:

Our office requests Executive Council approval for payment of attorney fees and costs in the amount of \$226.00 from Gray Miller Persh, LLP to represent Iowa PBS in matters relating to Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for which the firm was appointed as special counsel.

The amount of the claim appears to be reasonable. We have reviewed both the billing and the Services Agreement and recommend payment. Payment should be made from the funds of Iowa PBS.

Sincerely,

Steven Blankinship
Chief Deputy Attorney General

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Executive Council of Iowa

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DES MOINES, IOWA 50319
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January 21, 2026

Mr. Steve Blankinship
Chief Deputy Attorney General
Attorney General Office-Hoover Bldg.
LOCAL

Re: Approval of attorney fees

Dear Mr. Blankinship:

I received the enclosed statement from Gray Miller Persh, LLP for the following fees:

Iowa PBS

Current balance	\$226.00
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$0.00
Outstanding Total	\$226.00

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

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Executive Secretary

Gray Miller Persh LLP
2233 Wisconsin Avenue NW
Suite 226
Washington, DC 20007
Tax ID 46-4381194



Iowa PBS
6450 Corporate Drive
Johnston, IA 50131-6450

Invoice 43211

Date	Jan 14, 2026
Service Thru	Dec 31, 2025

In Reference To: General (Fees)

Date	By	Services	Hours	Rates	Amount
12/10/2025	M.Miller	Emails with A. Batt at Iowa PBS regarding "Notice of Confidential Document Production" from Echostar (Dish) as related to DOJ civil investigation.	0.30	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 135.60
12/22/2025	B.Persh	Analysis and respond to email from M. Wendell re FCC EEO reporting periods and long-term initiatives for Iowa PBS.	0.20	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 90.40
Total Hours					0.50 hrs
Total Fees					\$ 226.00
Total Invoice Amount					\$ 226.00
Previous Balance					\$ 1,130.00
12/08/2025 Payment - ACH Split Payment					(\$361.60)
01/09/2026 Payment - ACH Split Payment					(\$768.40)
Balance (Amount Due)					\$ 226.00

Remittances - please make checks payable to Gray Miller Persh LLP, include the Invoice Number, and send to:
Gray Miller Persh LLP
PO Box 716330
Philadelphia, PA 19171-6330