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February 3, 2025

Stacey Gunderson Iowa Department of Revenue Hoover Bldg. LOCAL

Dear Ms. Gunderson,

The Executive Council, in a meeting held on this date, approved payment of the following cost items:

Davis, Brown, Koehn, Shors & Roberts, P.C......\$1,842.50 The Davis Brown Tower 215 10th Street, Suite 1300 Des Moines, IA 50309-3993 Legal Services to state agencies on issues related to the visa status of prospective state employees

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cc: Darina Petkova, Iowa Department of Revenue

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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

January 27, 2025

Kristi Onstot Executive Secretary Executive Council State Capitol L O C A L

Re: Payment of Claims for Fees by Outside Counsel

Dear Kristi:

Our office requests Executive Council approval for payment of attorney fees in the amount of \$1,842.50 to Dentons Davis Brown PC, providing legal services to Department of Revenue related to the visa status of prospective state employees.

The amount of the claim appears to be reasonable and our office recommends payment.

Sincerely,

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Leif Olson <sup>7</sup> Chief Deputy Attorney General

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January 29, 2025

Mr. Leif Olson Chief Deputy Attorney General Attorney General Office-Hoover Bldg. L O C A L

Re: Approval of attorney fees

Dear Mr. Olson:

I received the enclosed statement from Dentons Davis Brown for the following fees:

Legal Services to state agencies on issues related to the visa status of prospective state employees – Iowa Department of Revenue

Current balance	\$1,842.50
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$0.00
Outstanding Total	\$1,842.50

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

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### In Account With

## DENTONS DAVIS BROWN PC

Attorneys and Counselors at Law 215 10th Street, Suite 1300 Des Moines, IA 50309-3993 (515) 288-2500 Federal I.D. No. 42-1343884

Iowa Department of Revenue Victoria Newton ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov Statement: 1590569 Date: 1/23/2025

Hours

Re: 4247640-173385 - Immigration-Kalawadh, Ali

# For Professional Services Rendered

### **Professional Fees**

12/02/2024 SLEE	NIW: Continuing ongoing revisions of all support letters, National Interest Waiver personal statement, and legal brief.	3.00
12/02/2024 LTC	Begin review and revising NIW brief.	0.80
12/03/2024 LTC	Continue review of materials for NIW and revising brief.	0.80
12/04/2024 SLEE	NIW: Conferring regarding case presentation for National Interest Waiver legal brief.	0.10
12/04/2024 LTC	NIW: Continue review of documents for revisions to NIW brief.	0.40
12/05/2024 LTC	Continue revisions and sending requests for clarifications.	0.70
12/06/2024 SLEE	NIW: Preparing Form I-140, Form G-28.	1.00
12/11/2024 SLEE	NIW: Conferring regarding case presentation for National Interest Waiver brief and evidence.	0.20
12/11/2024 LTC	Advising regarding strategy.	0.20
12/30/2024 SLEE	NIW: Reviewing revised personal statement from Ali Kalawadh.	0.20
	Total Hours:	7.40

## **Rate Summary**

Lori T. Chesser		2.90	hours at \$325.00/hr	942.50
Steffi S. Lee Dwyer		4.50	hours at \$200.00/hr	900.00
	- Total hours:	7.40	•	

Total Current Billing:

\$1,842.50

Effective March 29, 2021, Davis Brown Law Firm formally combined with Dentons to become Dentons Davis Brown PC. Visit www.dentons.com/BusinessTerms to find our Terms of Business, which will apply to our relationship to the extent that it is not inconsistent with the material terms and conditions of any existing engagement agreement. Please contact your lawyer or other professional if you have questions about the Terms of Business or with any respect of your representation.

Current statement due within 30 days of statement date. Please disregard any previously paid amounts. Contact us at 515-246-7812 with any questions. Please include the statement number on your check.

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or process the payment as a check transaction. When we use information from your check to make an electronic fund transfer, funds may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day we receive your payment, and you will not receive your check back from your financial institution.