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# Executive Council of Iowa

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August 19, 2024

Accounting Department  
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Lucas Building  
321 E 12<sup>th</sup> Street  
Des Moines, IA, 50319

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

Patterson Law Firm L.L.P.....\$1,120.00  
729 Insurance Exchange Building  
505 Fifth Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50309-2390  
Betty Detert v. DHS Johnson County and State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund of Iowa

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

*Victoria Newton*

Victoria Newton  
Acting Executive Secretary

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ATTORNEY GENERAL

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CHIEF DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL



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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

August 14, 2024

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 is forwarding to the Executive Council for payment of attorney fees and costs in the amount of \$1,120.00 in *Betty Detert v. DHS Johnson County and State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund of Iowa*, a workers' compensation case filed by a state employee in which Ryan Clark, of The Patterson Law Firm, L.L.P., in Des Moines has been retained to represent the State of Iowa.

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

Sincerely,

Leif Olson  
Chief Deputy Attorney General

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## Executive Council of Iowa

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August 6, 2024

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 Patterson Law Firm for the following fees:

Betty Detert v. DHS Johnson County and State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund of Iowas

Current balance	\$1,120.00
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$683.00 – 8/5 EC Meeting
Outstanding Total	\$1,120.00

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

*Kristi Onstot*

Kristi Onstot  
Executive Secretary

# PATTERSON LAW FIRM, L.L.P.

505 Fifth Avenue, Suite 729  
Des Moines, IA 50309-2390  
515-283-2147

Executive Council of Iowa  
Kristi Onstot, Executive Council  
1st Floor South, State Capitol  
1007 E. Grand Ave  
Des Moines, IA 50319  
Attn: Andrew Duffelmeyer

Invoice Date: August 2, 2024  
Invoice #: 206285  
Account #: IA.0168  
RMC  
Federal Tax I.D.: 42-0894999

RE: Detert v. State of Iowa  
DOI: 04/05/2022  
Claimant: Betty Detert  
Employer: State of Iowa

Monthly on or around the 15th

## FINAL BILL

### Fees

			<u>Hours</u>	
07/05/2024	RMC	Thorough review of all file material in preparation for 7/29/24 mediation.	0.70	112.00
	RMC	Prepare notes for reference during mediation, documenting specifics of alleged injuries, weekly rate, credits and potential settlement ranges.	0.30	48.00
07/08/2024	RMC	Correspondence to counsel regarding Second Injury Fund's Witness and Exhibit List.	0.20	32.00
07/11/2024	RMC	Receipt and review of State's Witness and Exhibit List, served by Andrew Duffelmeyer.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Receipt and review of Claimant's Witness and Exhibit List, served by Dustin Mueller.	0.10	16.00
07/23/2024	RMC	Correspondence to Jon Bergman reminding of mediation on 7/29/24.	0.10	16.00
07/24/2024	RMC	Receipt and review of correspondence from Jon Bergman requesting Claimant's weekly rate and benefits paid by State.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Correspondence to Jon Bergman regarding weekly rate calculation and indemnity benefits paid by State.	0.10	16.00
07/25/2024	RMC	Correspondence to Andrew Duffelmeyer regarding whether PPD was paid on 4/5/22 date of loss.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Receipt and review of PPD printout served by Andrew Duffelmeyer.	0.10	16.00

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Invoice #: 206285  
Account #: IA.0168

			<u>Hours</u>	
	RMC	Correspondence to Jon Bergman regarding PPD paid by State.	0.10	16.00
07/29/2024	RMC	Receipt and review of correspondence from mediator, Tim Clausen, regarding late start to mediation.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Correspondence to Jon Bergman regarding later start to this morning's mediation.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Receipt and review of correspondence from Tim Clausen regarding impairment ratings in the case.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Correspondence to Tim Clausen confirming impairment ratings and Claimant's weekly rate.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Total time for mediation.	2.60	416.00
	RMC	Prepare Notice of Settlement for filing with Division of Workers' Compensation.	0.20	32.00
	RMC	Receipt and review of correspondence from Tim Clausen memorializing settlement and terms.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Correspondence to Tim Clausen and all counsel confirming settlement and terms on behalf of Second Injury Fund.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Receipt and review of Notice of Intent to Settle filed by attorney Andrew Duffelmeyer.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Preparation of Compromise Settlement documents and Addendum thereto.	0.70	112.00
	RMC	Letter to Dustin Mueller requesting execution and return of settlement documents.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Letter to Jon Bergman confirming preparation of settlement documents and regarding settlement check.	0.10	16.00
07/30/2024	RMC	Receipt and review of correspondence from Dustin Mueller confirming settlement and terms on behalf of Claimant.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Receipt and review of signed settlement documents from Dustin Mueller.	0.10	16.00
07/31/2024	RMC	Receipt and review of approved settlement documents from Division of Workers' Compensation.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Correspondence to Jon Bergman regarding approved settlement documents.	0.10	16.00
	RMC	Letter to Dustin Mueller regarding approved settlement documents and settlement check from State of Iowa.	0.10	16.00

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		<u>Hours</u>	
RMC	Letter to Jon Bergman regarding final billing and file closure.	0.10	16.00
	TOTAL FEES	7.00	1,120.00

Recapitulation

<u>Timekeeper</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ryan M. Clark	Partner	7.00	\$160.00	\$1,120.00

TOTAL THIS STATEMENT 1,120.00

Previous Balance \$1,083.00

Payments

07/23/2024 Payment on Account - Thank you! -400.00

TOTAL BALANCE DUE \$1,803.00

Aged Due Amounts

<u>Stmt Date</u>	<u>Stmt #</u>	<u>Billed</u>	<u>Due</u>
07/15/2024	206028	683.00	683.00
			<u>683.00</u>