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July 7, 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.....\$907.00

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

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

Kristi Onstot

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Executive Secretary

cc: Darina Petkova, Iowa Department of Revenue

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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

June 30, 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 \$907.00 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,

Leif Olson
Chief Deputy Attorney General

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June 26, 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	\$907.00
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$0.00
Outstanding Total	\$907.00

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

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Executive Secretary

In Account With

DENTONS DAVIS BROWN PC

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Iowa Department of Revenue
Victoria Newton
ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov

Statement: 1605039
Date: 6/17/2025

Re: 4247640-173385 - Immigration-Kalawadh, Ali

For Professional Services Rendered

Professional Fees		Hours
05/01/2025 DRC	H-1B: Drafting H-1B case strategy to amend H due to new promotion. Requesting offered wage and start date information.	0.20
05/13/2025 SLEE	NIW: Reviewing and responding to Alex Vongnhay regarding case status.	0.10
05/14/2025 SLEE	NIW: Conferring regarding substance of National Interest Waiver Request for Evidence and strategizing on potential ideas on how to address USCIS's requests.	0.10
05/22/2025 SLEE	NIW: Beginning drafting Request for Evidence response.	2.80
05/22/2025 SLEE	NIW: Conferring regarding PERM process and State of Iowa recruitment process and strategy on articulating argument for third prong of National Interest Waiver requirements.	0.10
05/22/2025 SLEE	NIW: Conferring regarding case status and National Interest Waiver Request for Evidence response draft notes.	0.10
05/29/2025 SLEE	NIW: Reviewing and responding to Alexander Vongnhay regarding case status update on National Interest Waiver Request for Evidence response.	0.10
05/29/2025 ECOX	H-1B: Drafting case strategy, preparation worksheet, labor condition application, and public access file documents.	1.50
Total Hours:		5.00

Rate Summary

Steffi S. Lee Dwyer	3.30 hours at \$200.00/hr	660.00
Denise R. Claton	0.20 hours at \$290.00/hr	58.00
Emily L. Cox	1.50 hours at \$126.00/hr	189.00
Total hours:	<u>5.00</u>	

Total Current Billing: **\$907.00**

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.