

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

HON. KIM REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR

HON. PAUL D. PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE

HON. ROB SAND  
AUDITOR OF STATE

HON. ROBY SMITH  
TREASURER OF STATE

HON. MIKE NAIG  
SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE



## Executive Council of Iowa

CAPITOL BUILDING  
DES MOINES, IOWA 50319  
PHONE: 515 281-5368

January 05, 2026

Accounting Department  
Office of the Treasurer  
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:

Marquess & Hoyer Law Office, P.C.....\$6,000.00  
203 W. High Street  
P.O. Box 51  
Toledo, IA 52342  
Criminal Prosecution for Meskwaki Settlement Matters

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

*Merary De  
Guerrero*

Merary De Guerrero  
Acting Executive Secretary

BRENNA BIRD  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

STEVEN BLANKINSHIP  
CHIEF DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

1305 E. WALNUT ST.  
DES MOINES, IA 50319  
Main: 515-281-5164  
Email: [steven.blankinship@ag.iowa.gov](mailto:steven.blankinship@ag.iowa.gov)  
[www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov](http://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov)

December 25, 2025

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

Re: Payment of Claims for Fees by Special Counsel

Dear Kristi:

Our office requests Executive Council approval for payment of attorney fees in the amount of \$6,000.00. Under that Agreement, payment should be made to Michael Marquess for providing legal services.

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 General Fund.

Sincerely,

Steven Blankinship  
Chief Deputy Attorney General

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

HON. KIM REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR

HON. PAUL D. PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE

HON. ROB SAND  
AUDITOR OF STATE

HON. ROBY SMITH  
TREASURER OF STATE

HON. MIKE NAIG  
SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE



## Executive Council of Iowa

CAPITOL BUILDING  
DES MOINES, IOWA 50319  
PHONE: 515 281-5368  
FAX: 515 281-7562

December 16, 2025

Mr. Steve Blankinship  
Chief Deputy Attorney General  
Attorney General Office-Hoover Bldg.  
L O C A L

Re: Approval of attorney fees

Dear Mr. Blankinship:

I received the enclosed statement from Marquess Law Office, P.C. for the following fees:

Criminal Prosecution for Meskwaki Settlement Matters

Current balance	\$6,000.00
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$6,000.00 12/01 EC Meeting
Outstanding Total	\$6,000.00

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

*Merary De  
Guerrero*

Merary De Guerrero  
Acting Executive Secretary

# Marquess Law Office, P.C.

203 W. High St., P.O. Box 51  
Toledo, Iowa 52342  
Phone: 6414841001  
<https://www.mhlawia.com/>

Invoice # 4557  
Date: 12/15/2025  
Due On: 01/14/2026

Iowa Executive Council  
Room 114  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, IA 50319

**iowa-**

## Criminal Prosecution for Meskwaki Settlement Matters

Type	Date	Notes	Quantity	Rate	Total
Expense	12/15/2025	IA AG Flat Rate Fee: Flat rate fee for prosecution of Non-Native individuals allegedly committing crimes on the Meskwaki Nation Settlement	1.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
<b>Non-billable entries</b>					
Service	11/18/2025	WEIDA: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/18/2025	SHRESTHA: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/18/2025	COMSTOCK: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/20/2025	FLECK: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/20/2025	RECKER: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/20/2025	MCGHGHY: Case management conference (x2).	1.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Service	11/20/2025	ZIMMERMAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/20/2025	RAZO AGUILAR: Case management conference and probation revocation.	1.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Service	11/20/2025	CLINTON: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/20/2025	CHRISTENSEN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/20/2025	WISEK: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/20/2025	CAVANH: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/24/2025	EGGERS: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/24/2025	ANDERSON: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/25/2025	COFFMAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/25/2025	IBARRA RODRIGUEZ: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00

Service	11/25/2025	BUGELY: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/25/2025	DJAFALO: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	11/25/2025	FLOWERS: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/01/2025	CASTILLON: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/01/2025	MARTIN: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/01/2025	MILLER: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/01/2025	RUN-SAM: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/02/2025	DUQUE: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	DRONEBARGER: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	ZIMMERMAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	COFFMAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	IBARRA RODRIGUEZ: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	POLZIN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	KARR: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	URBAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	GUL WAZIRI: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/04/2025	MCGHGHY: Plea and Sentencing Hearing.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/09/2025	SALGADO: Prepared for suppression hearing.	2.00	\$300.00	\$600.00
Service	12/10/2025	CALLAHAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	BEDOLLA JAIMES: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	ORDONEZ MARTINEZ: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	THURMAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	DUNCAN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	GONZALEZ, JR.: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	BAXTER: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	FLECK: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/10/2025	SALGADO: Meeting with officers to prepare for suppression hearing.	1.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Service	12/11/2025	FLOWERS: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00

Service	12/11/2025	DJAFALO: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	RECKER: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	DRONEBARGER: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	GOODMAN: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	MARTENS: Initial appearance.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	ANDERSON: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	JOHNSON: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	RODGERS: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	12/11/2025	LIZARDE GARCIA: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
				<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>

## Detailed Statement of Account

### Other Invoices

Invoice Number	Due On	Amount Due	Payments Received	Balance Due
4519	12/14/2025	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00

### Current Invoice

Invoice Number	Due On	Amount Due	Payments Received	Balance Due
4557	01/14/2026	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
<b>Outstanding Balance</b>				<b>\$12,000.00</b>
<b>Total Amount Outstanding</b>				<b>\$12,000.00</b>

To pay your invoice, please feel free to use the QR code.

Payment due within 30 days of receipt.