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July 17, 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 \$225.00 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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July 9, 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	\$225.00
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$0.00
Outstanding Total	\$225.00

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

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In Account With

DENTONS DAVIS BROWN PC

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Iowa Department of Revenue
Victoria Newton
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Statement: 1602125
Date: 5/22/2025

Re: 4247640-173385 - Immigration-Kalawadh, Ali

For Professional Services Rendered

Professional Fees	Hours
04/24/2025 SLEE NIW: Beginning reviewing request for evidence.	0.30
04/28/2025 SLEE NIW: Reviewing and responding to inquiry from Ali Kalawadh regarding Request for Evidence.	0.10
04/30/2025 DRC Advice: Reviewing H-1B position and comparing it against proposed promotion.	0.20
04/30/2025 DRC Advice: Reviewing data scientist job description and comparing it against current H-1B. Advising on amending H-1B before promotion.	0.30
Total Hours:	0.90

Rate Summary

Steffi S. Lee Dwyer	0.40 hours at \$200.00/hr	80.00
Denise R. Claton	0.50 hours at \$290.00/hr	145.00
Total hours:	0.90	

Total Current Billing: **\$225.00**

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.