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July 6, 2026

Accounting Department
Office of the Treasurer
Lucas Building
321 E 12th 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

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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

June 29, 2026

Kristi Onstot
Executive Secretary
Executive Council
State Capitol
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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

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June 17, 2026

Mr. Steven Blankinship
Chief Deputy Attorney General
Attorney General's Office
Hoover Bldg.
LOCAL

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	\$0.00
Outstanding Total	\$6,000.00

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

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Marquess Law Office, P.C.

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

Invoice # 4768
Date: 06/15/2026
Due On: 07/15/2026

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

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Criminal Prosecution for Meskwaki Settlement Matters

Type	Date	Notes	Quantity	Rate	Total
Expense	06/15/2026	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
Non-billable entries					
Service	05/15/2026	FEILMEIER: Drafted and filed Motion to Amend and proposed Order to Amend.	0.20	\$300.00	\$60.00
Service	05/18/2026	HERRIAGE: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/19/2026	MARSHALL: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/19/2026	BIK: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/20/2026	WEDGWOOD: Reviewed pleadings, drafted and filed Appearance and Answer to post-conviction relief, email to opposing counsel.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/23/2026	STOWE: Read MNPD Incident Report; Drafted and filed Victim Pecuniary Damages Statement	1.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Service	05/27/2026	PERKINS: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/27/2026	GONZALEZ CALDERON: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/27/2026	STAMBAUGH: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/27/2026	JENSEN: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/27/2026	CUBILLO: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/27/2026	MILLER: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/27/2026	FLUHR: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/27/2026	FLECK: Sentencing.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00

Service	05/27/2026	BEARBOWER: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/28/2026	ZAVALA GARCIA: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/28/2026	JONS: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/28/2026	HANNAM: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/28/2026	HERRIAGE: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	05/28/2026	BRUCE: Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	06/01/2026	Drafted Application for County Attorney Subpoena, proposed Order, and Subpoena for Nizhani Wanatee investigation.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	06/04/2026	WISEK: Case management conference.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	06/04/2026	DUNCAN: Plea hearing.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	06/04/2026	WHEELER: Probation revocation hearing.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
Service	06/15/2026	BEHOUNEK: Drafted and filed Trial Information, Minutes of Testimony and proposed Order Setting Arraignment.	0.50	\$300.00	\$150.00
				Total	\$6,000.00

Detailed Statement of Account

Current Invoice

Invoice Number	Due On	Amount Due	Payments Received	Balance Due
4768	07/15/2026	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
Outstanding Balance				\$6,000.00
Total Amount Outstanding				\$6,000.00

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

Payment due within 30 days of receipt.