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June 2, 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.....\$366.73

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mariah Gibb".

Mariah Gibb
Acting Executive Secretary

cc: Darina Petkova, Iowa Department of Revenue

BRENNA BIRD
ATTORNEY GENERAL

LEIF OLSON
CHIEF DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL



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May 27, 2025

Mariah Gibb
Acting Executive Secretary
Executive Council
State Capitol
L O C A L

Re: Payment of Claims for Fees by Outside Counsel

Dear Mariah:

Our office requests Executive Council approval for payment of attorney fees in the amount of \$366.73 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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May 08, 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 PC 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	\$ 366.73
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$0.00
Outstanding Total	\$ 366.73

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

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Mariah Gibb
Acting Executive Secretary

In Account With

DENTONS DAVIS BROWN PC

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

Statement: 1599319
Date: 4/22/2025

Re: 4247640-173385 - Immigration-Kalawadh, Ali

For Professional Services Rendered

Professional Fees			Hours
03/04/2025	SLEE	NIW: Finalizing hard copy packet of National Interest Waiver and reviewing prep/filing checklist for purposes of filing.	0.80
03/05/2025	SLEE	NIW: Conferring regarding self-petition vs. employer-sponsored petition for Ali Kalawadh's National Interest Waiver petition. Corresponding with Ali Kalawadh and Alexander Vongnhay to advise on updated signatory for National Interest Waiver brief.	0.10
03/05/2025	LTC	NIW: Initial review of NIW for filing.	0.10
03/06/2025	SLEE	NIW: Obtaining signed National Interest Waiver brief from Alexander Vongnhay.	0.10
03/06/2025	SLEE	NIW: Providing update to Ali Kalawadh, Alex Vongnhay, Darina Petkova, and Jeff Meis regarding filing of National Interest Waiver petition and anticipated timeline for response from USCIS.	0.10
03/11/2025	SLEE	NIW: Corresponding with Ali Kalawadh, Alex Vongnhay, Darina Petkova, and Jeff Meis to provide update on USCIS's receipt of EB-2 National Interest Waiver petition and associated case number.	0.10
03/26/2025	ECOX	H-1B: Preparing and providing extension information request to Alex Vongnhay and Ali Kalawadh; determining filing fees.	0.50
Total Hours:			1.80

Rate Summary

Lori T. Chesser	0.10 hours at \$325.00/hr	32.50
Steffi S. Lee Dwyer	1.20 hours at \$200.00/hr	240.00
Emily L. Cox	0.50 hours at \$126.00/hr	63.00
Total hours:		1.80

Expenses

		Units	Price	Amount
03/06/2025	Third Party Delivery Payment USCIS	1.00	31.23	31.23
Sub-total Expenses:				\$31.23

Total Current Billing: \$366.73

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.