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DES MOINES, IOWA 50319
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October 06, 2025

Ms. Karen Schaeffer
Iowa PBS
LOCAL

Dear Ms. Schaeffer:

The Executive Council, in a meeting held on this date, approved payment of the following cost items:

Gray Miller Persh, LLP.....\$994.40
2233 Wisconsin Avenue NW
Suite 226
Washington, D.C. 20007
Iowa PBS

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

Kristi Onstot

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Executive Secretary

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October 1, 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 and costs in the amount of \$994.40 from Gray Miller Persh, LLP to represent Iowa PBS in matters relating to Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for which the firm was appointed as special counsel.

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 funds of Iowa PBS.

Sincerely,

Steven Blankinship
Chief Deputy Attorney General

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September 15, 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 Gray Miller Persh LLP for the following fees:

Iowa PBS

Current balance	\$994.40
Waiting for AG recommendation	\$0.00
Pending EC Approval	\$0.00
Claims in Process	\$0.00
Warrant sent	\$1,130.00 -9/1 EC meeting
Outstanding Total	\$994.40

May I please have your recommendation of this payment request?

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

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Acting Executive Secretary

Gray Miller Persh LLP
 2233 Wisconsin Avenue NW
 Suite 226
 Washington, DC 20007
 Tax ID 46-4381194



Iowa PBS
 6450 Corporate Drive
 Johnston, IA 50131-6450

Invoice 42720

Date	Sep 05, 2025
Service Thru	Aug 31, 2025

In Reference To: General (Fees)

Date	By	Services	Hours	Rates	Amount
08/08/2025	B.Persh	Analysis and review FCC EEO audit letter for Iowa PBS stations KBIN, KHIN, KIIN, KRIN, KSIN, and KTIN; review records re same and EEO unit reporting size/history; prepare email to A. Batt and M. Wendel re response deadline and requirements.	0.30	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 135.60
08/08/2025	M.Miller	Client email regarding 2025 NGWS grant application window (for states and tribal entities).	0.10	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 45.20
08/11/2025	B.Persh	Review FCC EEO audit responses for Iowa PBS stations KBIN, KHIN, KIIN, KRIN, KSIN, and KTIN; FCC audit letter changes and edit KBIN reply; respond to email from M. Wendel re same.	0.40	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 180.80
08/25/2025	B.Persh	Review and complete FCC submissions of EEO audit responses for KBIN, KIIN, KTIN, KRIN, KHIN, and KSIN; draft FCC cover letters re same; update records and respond to email from M. Wendel re same.	1.10	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 497.20
08/25/2025	T.Gray	Review underwriting issues (Pioneer); emails with S. Bailey re same.	0.20	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 90.40
08/26/2025	B.Persh	Prepare memorandum and correspondence re FCC adverse adjudication reporting deadline/due diligence and annual review of application certifications for Iowa broadcast licensees.	0.10	\$ 452.00/hr	\$ 45.20

Total Hours	2.20 hrs
Total Fees	\$ 994.40
Total Invoice Amount	\$ 994.40
Previous Balance	\$ 1,130.00
Balance (Amount Due)	\$ 2,124.40

Remittances - please make checks payable to Gray Miller Persh LLP, include the Invoice Number, and send to:
 Gray Miller Persh LLP