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May 21, 2014

Ms. Sharona Coutts
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Dear Ms. Coutts:

This letter is in response to your public records request of April 24, 2014, in which you asked for records of any payments to the specific individuals listed between January 1, 2011, until present, including but not limited to any fees paid for "expert witness" services.

We have completed a search of our files and find that the following information is responsive to your request. The fees paid to Vincent M. Rue were for expert consultant fees and the payments to James Anderson and John Thorp were made as expert witness fees.

DATE	VEND NAME	AMOUNT
5/14/2014	RUE & STANFORD-RUE PA	9,855.00
9/12/2013	RUE & STANFORD-RUE PA	13,207.50
4/18/2014	ANDERSON, JAMES C	2,100.00
9/12/2013	ANDERSON, JAMES C	2,100.00
9/12/2013	THORP, JOHN M	4,000.00
4/18/2014	THORP, JOHN M	7,250.00
		38,512.50

We have no record of payments made to the remaining individuals: Patricia Coleman, Susan Stanford-Rue, Jacqueline Harvey, Michael New, Angela Lanfranchi, Monique Chireau, Donna Harrison, Elard Koch, Dr. John Thorp or Byron Calhoun.

You also asked whether or not DOJ has ever hosted Blackstone Fellows. The Department of Justice does not have any records pertaining to Blackstone Fellows.

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Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.35(4)(b), this determination is subject to review by mandamus under Wis. Stat. § 19.37(1) or upon application to a district attorney or the Attorney General.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin C. Potter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "K" and a distinct "P" at the end.

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