

SOQ No. 25-006

Supplemental Legal Services

Submission Deadline: February 20, 2025 at 3:30 PM

ATTENTION VENDORS!!!

Please review all pages and respond accordingly, complying with all provisions in the public notice and Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances Section 2-926 et seq. All submissions must be received on the Purchasing Department's e-Procurement site, www.jeffparishbids.net, by the SOQ submission deadline date and time. Late submissions will not be accepted.

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PUBLIC NOTICE SOQ 25-006

Supplemental Legal Services

The Parish of Jefferson, authorized by <u>Resolution No. 145683</u> is hereby soliciting a Statement of Qualifications (<u>Professional Legal Services Questionnaire</u>) from persons or firms interested in providing various professional legal services.

Deadline for Submissions: 3:30 p.m., February 20, 2025

The following criteria, listed in order of importance, will be used to evaluate the statement of the firms submitting, with only those persons and/or firms receiving an overall cumulative score of at least seventy (70) percent or greater, of the total possible points for all categories to be assigned by the participating legal services evaluation committee members shall be deemed qualified to perform outside legal services tasks:

- (1) Professional training and experience in relation to the type of work required for the outside legal services. (Maximum points awarded shall be thirty-five (35).)
- (2) Size of firm and capacity for timely completion of newly assigned work considering the number of professional and support personnel required to perform the type of outside legal service tasks and the firm's current unfinished workload. (Maximum points awarded shall be thirty (30).)
- (3) Past performance by person or firm on parish contracts. Assertions of fault by a person or firm, which shall include time delays, cost over-runs, and/or malfeasance in prior work completed for the parish shall be evidenced by substantiating documentation provided by the parish attorney and received by the chairman of the evaluation committee a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled date of the legal services evaluation committee meeting. (Maximum points awarded shall be ten (10).)
- (4) Location of the principal office where work will be performed. Preference shall be given to persons or firms with a principal business office at which the work will be performed as follows: (1) Jefferson Parish, including municipalities located within Jefferson Parish (15 points); (2) Neighboring Parishes of the Greater New Orleans Metropolitan Region, which includes Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles and St. Tammany Parishes (12 points); (3) Parishes other the foregoing (ten (10) points); (4) outside the State of Louisiana (six (6) points). Maximum points awarded shall be fifteen (15).)
- (5) Adversarial legal proceedings between the parish and the person or firm performing professional services, in which the parish prevailed, and excluding those instances or cases where the person or firm was added as an indispensable party, or where the person or firm participated in or assisted the public entity in prosecution of its claim. In the event that the person or firm fails to provide accurate and detailed information regarding legal proceedings with the parish, including the absence of legal proceedings, the person or firm shall be deemed unresponsive with regard to this category, and zero (0) points shall be awarded. (Maximum points awarded shall be fifteen (15) for the lack of any such adversarial proceedings as defined.)
- (6) Prior successful completion of projects of the type and nature of legal services, as defined, for which firm has provided verifiable references. (Maximum points to be awarded shall be five (5).)

That the person and/or firm submitting a Statement of Qualifications (Professional Legal Services Questionnaire) shall have the following minimum qualification: at least one Firm Representative, as defined in Section 2-926 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, who is licensed to practice law in the State of Louisiana, with a minimum of five (5) years' experience.

All persons and/or firms must submit a Statement of Qualifications (Jefferson Parish Professional Legal Services Questionnaire) by clicking on "Business with the Parish" under Business Services, and then clicking on "Professional Legal Services Questionnaire", and submit a Statement of Qualifications (Professional Legal Services Questionnaire) for each sub-consultant firm or individual. (Refer to Jefferson Parish code Ordinance, Section 2-928).

Submissions are to be submitted on the eProcurement site at www.jeffparishbids.net.

Those submissions will only be accepted electronically via the Parish's eProcurement system, Central Bidding. Central Bidding can be accessed by visiting either www.jeffparishbids.net. All vendors will be required to register with Central Bidding. Jefferson Parish vendors are able to register for free by accessing the following link: www.centralacutionhouse.com/registration.

No submittals will be accepted after the deadline.

Affidavits are not required to be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications, but shall be submitted prior to contract approval.

Insurances are not required to be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications, but shall be submitted prior to contract approval.

Disputes/protests relating to the decisions by the evaluation committee or by the Jefferson Parish Council shall be brought before the 24th Judicial District Court.

ADV: The New Orleans Advocate: February 5, and 12, 2025

Professional Legal Services Questionnaire Instructions

- The Professional Legal Services Questionnaire shall be used for outside legal services.
- The Professional Legal Services Questionnaire should be completely filled out. Complete and attach ALL sections. Insert "N/A" or "None" if a section does not apply or if there is no information to provide.
- Questionnaire must be signed by an authorized representative of the Firm. Failure to sign the questionnaire shall result in disqualification of proposer pursuant to J.P. Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-928.
- All subcontractors must be listed in the appropriate section of the Questionnaire. Each subcontractor must provide a complete copy of the Professional Legal Services Questionnaire, applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement. Failure to provide the subcontractors' complete questionnaire(s), applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement shall result in disqualification of proposer pursuant to J.P. Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-928.
- If additional pages are needed, attach them to the questionnaire and include all applicable information that is required by the questionnaire.

A. Person or Firm Name & Principal Address:			
B. Name, Title, & contact information of Firm Representative, as defined in Section 2-926 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, who is licensed to practice law in the State of Louisiana with a minimum of five (5) years' experience:			
C. Location of the principal:	44000		
D Please check the legal field or fields in which	h Firm is qualified to perform services for Jefferson		
Parish and include the number of years of expo			
Bond Services (Years:)	Science & Technology Law (Years:)		
Elections (Years:)	State & Local Government Law (Years:)		
Administrative & Regulatory (Years:)	Taxation (Years:)		
Antitrust Law (Years:)	Tort Trial & Insurance Practices (Years:)		
Business Law (Years:)	Complex Litigation (including asbestos litigation)		
Criminal Justice (Years:)	(Years:)		
Dispute Resolution (Years:)	Securities (Years:)		
Environmental, Energy & Resources (Years:)	Ethics Law (Years:)		
Health Law (Years:)	Civil Service Matters (Years:)		
Intellectual Property (Years:)	Civil Rights & the Constitution (Years:)		
International Law (Years:)	Municipal Representation (including liability &		
Labor & Employment Law (Years:)	intergovernmental conflicts) (Years:)		
Public Contract Law (Years:)	Code Enforcement Matters (Years:)		

Public Utilities Law (Years:)	Oil Spill Litigation (Years:)	
Communications Law (Years:)	Public Finance (Years:)	
Transportation Law (Years:)	Land Use, Planning & Zoning Law (Years:)
Property (Years:)	Economic Development (Years:)
Trust & Estate Law (Years:)	Construction Law (Years:)	
Other/specific project as required by the		
advertisement (Years:)		
E. List all subcontractors anticipated for this Pr fully completed copy of this questionnaire, ap the advertisement. See Jefferson Parish Code pages if necessary.	plicable licenses, and any other inform	nation required by
Name & Address:	Specialty:	Worked with Firm Before (Yes or No):
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2. P	arish	
3.	t e of Louisiana	
4.		

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F.	Professional Training and experience in relation to the type of work required for the outside lega services.	ıl
	ser vices.	
	State of Louisiana	
G.	Size of Firm and capacity for timely completion of newly assigned work considering the number of professional and support personnel required to perform the type of outside legal services tasks an	
	the Firm's current unfinished workload.	u

	i.	Please specify the total number of support staff that may assist in the completion of a matter for each area of the law selected above:		
	ii.	List any attorneys that may assist in the completion of a matter for each area of the law selected above. If necessary, please attach additional documentation that demonstrates the employment history and experience of the Firm's attorneys that may assist in the completion of this Project (i.e. resume). Please attach additional pages if necessary.		
		Name:	Legal Field:	Years of Experience in Legal Field:
1.				
2.				
			Jefferso	n
3.			Parish	
			State of Louisian	na
4.				
5.				

Н. 1	Past performance by person or Firm on Parish contracts. Please attach additional pages if necessary.
	Adversarial legal proceedings between the Parish and the person or Firm performing professional
	services, in which the Parish prevailed, and excluding those instances or cases where the person or Firm was added as an indispensable party, or where the person or Firm participated in or assisted the
	public entity in prosecution of its claim. In the event that the person or Firm fails to provide accurate
	and detailed information regarding legal proceedings with the Parish, including the absence of legal
	proceedings, the person or firm shall be deemed unresponsive with regard to this category, and zero (0) points shall be awarded. Please attach additional pages if necessary.
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J.	Prior successful completion of projects of the type and nature of legal services, as defined, for which Firm has provided verifiable references. (List no more than 10 projects.)		
1.			
2.			
3.	Jefferson Parish State of Louisiana		
4.			
5.			

6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
	State of Louisiana
10	
10.	

K. Use this space to provide any additional information or description of resources supporting Firm's qualifications for the proposed project.		
L. To the bes	st of my knowledge, the foregoing is an acc	urate statement of facts.
Signature:	Prin	nt Name:
Title:	Date	e:

State of Louisiana

Statement of Qualifications Affidavit Instructions

- Affidavit is supplied as a courtesy to Affiants, but it is the responsibility of the affiant to insure the affidavit they submit to Jefferson Parish complies, in both form and content, with federal, state and parish laws.
- Affidavit must be signed by an authorized representative of the entity or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affidavit must be notarized or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Notary must sign name, print name, and include bar/notary number, or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affiant MUST select either A or B when required or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affiants who select choice A must include an attachment or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- If both choice A and B are selected, the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affidavit marked N/A will not be accepted.
- It is the responsibility of the Affiant to submit a new affidavit if any additional campaign contributions are made after the affidavit is executed but prior to the time the council acts on the matter.

Instruction sheet may be omitted when submitting the affidavit

Statement of Qualifications

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF			
PARISH/COUNTY OF			
BEFORE ME, the un	ndersigned authority,	personally came and	d appeared:
, (Af	fiant) who after bein	g by me duly sworn,	, deposed and said that
he/she is the fully authorized	1	of	(Entity),
the party who submitted a S	tatement of Qualifica	ations (SOQ) to	
		(Briefly de	scribe the services the SOQ
will cover), to the Parish of .	Jefferson.		
Affiant further said: <u>Campaign Contribution Disc</u> (Choose A or B, if option		please include tl	ne required
attachment):		r	1
Choice A	the date and amount former elected office Affiant, and/or office employees, owning period immediately current term of the Entity, Affiant, and contributions to or Jefferson Parish Contributions to Contributions	nt of each contribution cials of the Parish of icers, directors and of 25% or more of the preceding the date elected official, which in support of current ouncil or the Jefferson	Entity during the two-year of this affidavit or the chever is greater. Further,
Choice B		paign contributions m hoice A of this section	nade which would require on.

Affiant further said:

Debt Disclosures

(Choose A <u>or</u> B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all debts owed by the affiant to any elected or appointed official of the Parish of Jefferson, and any and all debts owed by any elected or appointed official of the Parish to the Affiant.

Choice B _____ There are NO debts which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Solicitation of Campaign Contribution Disclosures

(Choose A <u>or</u> B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson, whether still holding office at the time of the affidavit or not, where the elected official, individually, either by telephone or by personal contact, solicited a campaign contribution or other monetary consideration from the Entity, including the Entity's officers, directors and owners, and employees owning twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the Entity, during the two-year period immediately preceding the date the affidavit is signed. Further, to the extent known to the Affiant, the date of any such solicitation is included on the attached list.

Choice B _____ there are <u>NO</u> solicitations for campaign contributions which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Subcontractor Disclosures

(Choose A <u>or</u> B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A	Affiant further said that attached is a listing of all subcontractors, excluding full time employees, who may assist in providing professional services for the aforementioned SOQ.	
Choice B	There are NO subcontractors which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section	

Affiant further said:

That Affiant has employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and

[The remainder of this page is intentionally left blank.]

That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.

	Signature of Affiant
	Printed Name of Affiant
SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE	E ME
ON THE DAY OF,	20
Notary Public	_
Printed Name of Notary	_
Notary/Bar Roll Number	_
My commission expires	