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Q #	Questions	RFQ Reference (Document & Page-Section-Item)	Answers
1	Given the low amount of the services provided can the Superior Court of Alameda County execute a standard service order and bypass the RFP process?		The court is currently issuing an RFP solicitation.
2	Just wondering if we can partner with a DVBE firm as a mean to get the DVBE preference and for the 3 references.	Page 13, Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Incentive	See response to Question #3

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<p>3</p>	<p>Similarly, can we partner with another business just to get the 3 references.</p>	<p>Page 9, 7.1 c. Reference</p> <p>Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of a minimum of 3 clients for whom the Prospective Bidder has conducted similar services. OIT may check references listed by the Prospective Bidder. (Attachment 15).</p>	<p>There is an additional method for a Bidder to qualify as a DVBE for contracts for non-IT goods and for IT goods and services. For those procurements, the Court must accept from a Bidder a DVBE business utilization plan (plan) in lieu of DGS certification (PCC 10115.15(a)). The use of a plan does not extend to non-IT service contracts.</p> <p>A plan is a Bidder's written commitment to contract with certified DVBEs for at least 3 percent of its business's total contract dollars expended in California during the next year (i.e., the year after the year in which the contract is awarded). This 3-percent commitment applies to all business done by the Bidder in California, not just contracts with the State of California. The DGS procurement division provides plan approval. A plan is considered approved by the DGS on the date of submission provided the plan meets requirements set forth in PCC 10115.15. However, the DGS may audit the plan and later disapprove it. To qualify as a DVBE by use of a plan, a Bidder must provide a written certification that it has submitted its plan to DGS when it submits its Bid to the JBE.</p>
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