

SUPERIOR COURT OF ALAMEDA COUNTY
REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ) – GRAPHIC DESIGN ARTIST

RFQ NO.: SC 014-048

Date Issued: November 4, 2014

From:

Superior Court of Alameda County

To:

Vendor: Multiple (see attached list)

Address: _____

Address: 1225 Fallon Street

City, State ZIP: Oakland, CA 94612

Buyer: Linda Salcido

Contact: _____

Phone: 510-891-6216

Fax: 510-891-6219

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: bidquestions@alameda.courts.ca.gov

E-mail: _____

Acceptable Delivery Methods: Mail or Express Delivery:

Hand Delivery:

Facsimile:

THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

Deadline For Submitting Questions: Thursday, November 6, 2014 1:00PM (Pacific Time)

Bid Submittal Date: Friday, November 7, 2014 3:00PM (Pacific Time)

Required Delivery Date: To be determined

Payment: Net 45 days

Evaluation Criteria – Bids will be evaluated to determine the bid that offers the best value to the Court. The evaluation will be based upon the following criteria, listed in order of descending priority. Although some factors are weighted more than others, all are considered necessary, and a bid must be technically acceptable in each area to be eligible for award. With regards to cost, the Court reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any bid whose price is outside of the competitive range. *The evaluation criteria for this project are as follows and not in any specific order.*

<i>Cost/Pricing factors;</i>	<i>Experience on similar assignment.</i>
<i>Implementation Plan</i>	
<i>Ability to meet timing requirements</i>	

Description of Requested Service

The Superior Court of California, Alameda County, seeks an experienced graphic design artist with expertise across a range of print and electronic media to provide hourly on-call consulting and production services to several offices within the Court. Specific services envisioned at this time include monthly newsletter production using Court provided main graphic design guidelines and logos, and report design and production for occasional reports distributed in both print and electronic media.

Critical to the Court's purposes are high-resolution designs that make an immediate impact on the viewer while retaining the necessary dignity and control inherent in the Court's overall messaging.

Production of the monthly newsletter will include close engagement with Court staff, particularly as deadlines approach and multiple authors and artists converge with their diverse submissions – essays, graphics, charts, etc. Flexibility and attention to detail are of the utmost importance, as well as design competence and flair.

Production of occasional reports will include iterative coordination across multiple offices of the Court, synthesizing ideas and producing reports, generated by Court staff that is both legible and stylish, practical and attractive, as well as substantively accurate and technically correct.

The Court seeks information about hourly rates and qualifications from interested firms and individuals.

Total Cost: _____

Other information: The Bid Instructions and General Terms and Conditions are attached.

Quote Valid Through December 30, 2014

Federal Tax ID: _____

Vendor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name _____ Title: _____

List of vendors receiving this RFQ include:

Circlepoint, 1814 Franklin Street, Oakland 94612

r.quigley@circlepoint.com

s.seward@circlepoint.com

Daniel Muhammad, daniel.muhammad@yahoo.com

PDQ, 1150 East 12th Street, Oakland 94606

pdqprint@pacbell.net

Tenddo, Inc, 101 California Street, San Francisco 94111

raj@tenddo.com

Knowlogy Corp., 1934 Old Gallows Road, Vienna, VA 22182

mori.ghazzawi@knowlogy.com

Valerie Knight Design, vkdesign@comcast.net

BID INSTRUCTIONS

SUBMITTAL OF QUOTES AND RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The vendor must complete one copy of the Request for Quote form (“RFQ form”). The completed RFQ must be delivered to the Court contact listed on the RFQ form prior to the bid submittal date and time indicated.

All information entered on the RFQ must be clearly written or typed. No erasures are permitted. Errors may be crossed out and corrections printed in ink or typewritten adjacent and must be initialed in ink by the person signing the RFQ.

The Court reserves the right to reject any and all quotes, in whole or in part, as well as the right to issue similar RFQs in the future.

RFQ ADDENDA

The Court may modify this solicitation document prior to the date fixed for submission of bids by providing notice to potential bidders. If any potential vendor determines that an addendum unnecessarily restricts its ability to propose, it must notify the Court no later than three (3) business days following the date the addendum was provided.

Pricing shall reflect all addenda issued by the Court. Failure to do so will permit the Court to interpret the bid to include all addenda issued in any resulting contract.

PRE-BID CONFERENCE WALK-THROUGH

No bid walkthrough will be completed for this project.

AMBIGUITY, DISCREPANCIES, OMISSIONS

If a vendor submitting a quote discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other error in this solicitation document, the vendor shall immediately provide the Court written notice of the problem and request that the solicitation document be clarified or modified.

If prior to the bid submittal deadline a vendor submitting a quote knows of or should have known of an error in the solicitation document but fails to notify the Court of the error, the vendor shall submit a quote at its own risk, and if the vendor is awarded the purchase, the vendor shall not be entitled to additional compensation or time by reason of the error or its later correction.

CONTACT WITH COURT

Questions regarding this RFQ must be directed to the individual named in the Court Contact Info on the RFQ form. Vendors are specifically directed NOT to contact any other Court personnel or consultants regarding this RFP at any time prior award. Unauthorized contact with any Court personnel or consultants may be cause for rejection of the vendor’s response.

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS

The requested goods and services will be provided pursuant to the attached terms General Terms and Conditions. Submittal of a proposal indicates that the vendor accepts the General Terms and Conditions.

CONFIDENTIAL OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

All materials submitted in response to this solicitation will become the property of the Court and will be returned only at the Court’s option and at the expense of the vendor submitting the quote. One copy of a submitted quote will be retained for official files and become a public record. Any material that a vendor considers as confidential but does not meet the disclosure exemption requirements of the California Public Records Act should not be included in the vendor’s proposal as it may be made available to the public.

ERROR IN SUBMITTED QUOTE

If an error is discovered in a vendor’s quote, the Court may at its sole option retain the quote and allow the vendor to submit certain arithmetic corrections. In determining if a correction will be allowed, the Court will consider the conformance of the quote to the format and content required by the solicitation, the significance and magnitude of the correction, and any unusual complexity of the format and content required by the solicitation.

If prior to an award, a vendor discovers a mistake in their quote that renders the vendor unwilling to perform under any resulting contract, the vendor must immediately notify the Court in writing and request to withdraw the quote. It shall be solely within the Court’s discretion as to whether withdrawal will be permitted.

End of Instructions

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ACCEPTANCE: BY DELIVERING THE ORDERED GOODS OR COMMENCING PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS ORDER, VENDOR AGREES TO THE SPECIFICATIONS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS IN OR REFERENCED BY THIS DOCUMENT (COLLECTIVELY, THE "ORDER"). VENDOR'S ADDITIONAL OR DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS ARE EXPRESSLY EXCLUDED FROM THIS ORDER AND THE COURT DOES NOT AGREE TO SUCH TERMS OR CONDITIONS. THIS ORDER'S TERMS AND CONDITIONS MAY ONLY BE VARIED BY A WRITING SIGNED BY THE COURT'S DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

AUDIT RIGHT: Vendor agrees to maintain records relating to performance and billing by Vendor under this Order for a period of four years after final payment. During the period of time that Vendor is required to retain such records, the Court or its representative may, during normal business hours, inspect and make extracts or copies of such records and other materials for purposes of confirming the accuracy of invoices submitted hereunder.

CHANGES: No change or modification in terms, quantities, or specifications may be made without express authorization in writing from the Court.

DELIVERY AND PACKING SLIPS: Time is of the essence to delivery and any other performance required of Vendor. No charge for delivery, drayage, express, parcel post, packing, cartage, insurance, license fees, permits, cost of bonds, or any other purpose will be paid by the Court unless it is expressly included on the face of this Order. Unless stated otherwise in this Order, the shipping point for all deliveries under this Order will be F.O.B. "Destination." Unless otherwise shown on this Order, on "F.O.B. Shipping Point" transactions, Vendor must arrange for lowest-cost transportation, prepay and add freight to its invoice, and furnish supporting freight bills over \$25. If delivery is to be made by a carrier, an itemized delivery ticket must be attached to the outside of the package. Each container must be marked with the Order number, part number and quantity. Any itemized packing slip bearing the Court's Order number as shown thereon must be left with the goods to insure their receipt.

INDEMNITY: VENDOR WILL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COURT, OTHER CALIFORNIA JUDICIAL BRANCH ENTITIES, AND THEIR OFFICERS, AGENTS, AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, LOSSES, AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS, THAT ARISE OUT OF (I) A DEFECT, WHETHER LATENT OR PATENT, IN THE GOODS OR SERVICES PURCHASED HEREUNDER, (II) AN ACT OR OMISSION OF VENDOR, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, OR SUBCONTRACTORS IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT, (III) THE INFRINGEMENT OF ANY THIRD PARTY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OR OTHER RIGHTS BY THE GOODS OR SERVICES PURCHASED HEREUNDER, (IV) A BREACH OF A REPRESENTATION, WARRANTY, OR OTHER PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT. THIS INDEMNITY APPLIES REGARDLESS OF THE THEORY OF LIABILITY ON WHICH A CLAIM IS MADE OR A LOSS OCCURS. THIS INDEMNITY WILL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT OR DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE GOODS AND SERVICES. THIS INDEMNITY DOES NOT COVER CLAIMS, LOSSES OR EXPENSES TO THE EXTENT THEY ARISE OUT OF THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF THE COURT.

INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE: Notwithstanding any prior inspection or payments, all goods and services delivered hereunder are subject to final inspection and acceptance or rejection by the Court at any time within thirty days after delivery to the Court. All items which are not in compliance with the specifications hereof, which are not as warranted or which are shipped late, shipped in excess or insufficient quantities or substituted for items ordered hereunder may be rejected by the Court and returned or held at Vendor's expense and risk. Payment does not constitute an acceptance of the material nor impair the Court's right to inspect or any of its remedies.

INSURANCE: Vendor will maintain insurance that is sufficient in scope and amount to permit Vendor to pay in the ordinary course of business insurable claims, losses and expenses, including insurable claims, losses and expenses that arise out of Vendor's performance of this Order. Vendor will maintain employer's liability and workers' compensation coverage at statutory levels covering all employees performing work under this Order.

INVOICES, PAYMENT AND SETOFF: The Court has no obligation to pay for any item until one original and two copies of a correct, itemized invoice for the item is received at the address shown on the face of this Order. Payment is due thirty days from receipt of a correct, itemized invoice. Each invoice must be printed on Vendor's standard printed bill form, and must include at a minimum (i) the Order number, (ii) Vendor's name and address, (iii) the nature of the invoiced charge, (iv) the total invoiced amount, and (v) such detail as is reasonably necessary to permit the Court to evaluate the goods received and the services performed, if any, including without limitation the number of hours worked and the applicable hourly rate. Amounts owed to the Court due to rejections of goods or services or discrepancies in an invoice will be, at the Court's option, fully credited against future invoices payable by the Court, or paid by Vendor within thirty days from Vendor's receipt of a debit memo or other written request for payment by the Court. The Court has the right at any time to set off any amount owing from Vendor to the Court against any amount payable by the Court pursuant to this Order or any other transaction or occurrence.

LEGAL COMPLIANCE: (a) Vendor must observe and comply with all federal, state, city, and local laws, rules, and regulations affecting goods and services under this Order. (b) Vendor and its subcontractors, if any, must not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age (over 40), sex or sexual orientation. Vendor must ensure that the evaluation and treatment of employees and applicants for employment are free of such discrimination. Vendor and its subcontractors, if any, must give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other agreement. (c) Vendor must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (42 USC Sec. 012101 et seq.) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability, as well as with all applicable regulations and guidelines issued pursuant to the ADA, as well as California's Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code section 12990 et seq.). (d) This Order incorporates the terms and conditions set forth in the document entitled "JBCL Required Provisions," (as may be amended from time to time) posted at http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/phoenix_termsandconditions.pdf.

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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS: If some or all of the goods being provided by Vendor are on CAL OSHA's "Hazardous Substances List," Vendor will, upon request, forward a completed Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) to the Court.

RISK OF LOSS: Vendor bears the risk of loss or damage to the ordered goods until Vendor delivers the goods to the Court's place of business unless a different F.O.B. point is indicated on the face of this Order. Notwithstanding such delivery, Vendor bears the risk of loss or damage to the goods purchased under this Order in the event of and from the time the Court gives notice of rejection or termination of this Order.

STATUS AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTS: Vendor is an independent contractor and while performing work on or off the Court's premises neither it nor any of its agents or employees will be considered agents or employees of the Court. Vendor may not assign, subcontract, or delegate its obligations under this Order without the prior written consent of the Court, and any attempted assignment, subcontract, or delegation is void.

TERMINATION: The Court may terminate all or part of this Order for any or no reason at any time by giving notice to Vendor. Should Court terminate this Order for convenience, the Court's liability will be: (a) for standard or off-the-shelf products, a reasonable restocking charge not to exceed ten percent of the purchase price; (b) for custom products, the lesser of (i) a reasonable price for raw materials, components, work in progress, and any finished units on hand, or (ii) the price, set forth in this Order, per finished unit, after giving effect to any discount the Court would otherwise be entitled to. For termination of any separate services specifically ordered, liability will be the lesser of (a) a reasonable price for the services rendered prior to termination, or (b) the price for the services. If any hourly or other time-based rate for services is specified in this Order, such rate will be used in determining a reasonable price. Upon receipt of a termination notice, Vendor must, unless otherwise directed, cease work and follow the Court's directions as to work in progress and finished goods.

WARRANTIES: Vendor warrants that all goods delivered will (a) be free from defects in workmanship, material, and manufacture (including, without limitation, defects which could create a hazard to life or property); (b) be new, not refurbished or reconditioned, unless stated otherwise in this Order; (c) be of merchantable quality and fit for the purposes intended by the Court to the extent disclosed by Vendor; (d) comply with the requirements of this Order; and (e) comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Vendor further warrants that all services will be rendered in a good and workmanlike manner by skilled personnel in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

End of General Terms and Conditions