

Administrative Office of the Courts

Operations Division

Questions/Responses No. 1 to the

Request for Proposals (RFP) K21-0023-29

JIS Vulnerability Assessment

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The following questions for the above referenced RFP were received by e-mail and are answered and posted for all prospective Offerors. The statements and interpretations contained in the following responses to questions are not binding on the Maryland Judiciary unless the RFP is expressly amended. Nothing in the Maryland Judiciary's response to these questions is to be construed as agreement to or acceptance by the Maryland Judiciary of any statement or interpretation on the part of the Offeror asking the question.

- 1. Is there a vendor that is currently providing this service? No.
- 2. Can a bidder form a team with a SME for this work and would the SME's experience and past performances be considered for an award? The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) is seeking the best solution to accomplish the goals as described in the RFP. Offerors may submit proposed solutions for consideration. If the Offeror elects to subcontract, they must identify any subcontractor in their proposal response. Consideration for award is based on proven ability to perform work based on the statement of work in the RFP.
- When is this work scheduled to begin? While no date has been established, the AOC would like to begin work as-soon-as possible.
- 4. What is the allocated budget for this project? The AOC does not share budgetary information.
- 5. 2) Are there any % set-aside for MBE's Women owned? Would like to make a request to make this RFP with a _% set-aside if possible? Minority Business Enterprises are encouraged to respond to this Request for Proposal; however, no goal has been established for this RFP.
- 6. 5) It was mentioned in the RFP to send 6 paper-based copies of the proposal response, can you please consider this to be electronic copy instead?No, we require one original and six (6) copies of each proposal (Technical and

Financial) as described in the RFP.

7. What is the last date for us to submit questions about the RFP? While there is no final date for questions, please consider the closing date when submitting questions.

Issued by: Valerie L. Mitchell Procurement Officer Date