

GENERAL INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS
SUBMITTING QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS
FOR 2024 CONTRACT FOR THE POSITION OF
CUMBERLAND SALEM REGIONAL MUNICIPAL COURT PROSECUTOR

- I. Invitation to Submit Qualifications and Proposal.** The Cumberland Salem Regional Municipal Court is requesting qualifications and proposals from individuals and/or firms for the following contract for calendar year 2024: CS Regional Municipal Court Prosecutor. The qualifications and proposals are being solicited through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, *et. seq.*
- II. Submitting and Delivery of Qualifications and Proposals.** Qualifications and proposals must be submitted on or before November 29, 2023, and may be submitted either by mail or in person by the prospective contractor or his agent. Qualifications and proposals must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and plainly marked “Qualifications and Proposal for 2024 CS Regional Municipal Court Prosecutor Contract” and the envelope also shall have plainly marked on it the name and address of the prospective contractor. Please submit 2 copies of your proposal.
- III. Time and Place for Acceptance of Qualifications and Proposals.** The Upper Deerfield Township Clerk has been designated as the person authorized to receive all qualifications and proposals. All qualifications and proposals must be submitted in sealed envelopes to the Upper Deerfield Township Clerk, Township of Upper Deerfield, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, New Jersey, 08302, either by mail or in person by the prospective contractor or his agent on or prior to November 29, 2023 at 11:00 a.m., prevailing time. The Upper Deerfield Township Clerk will record the date and time of receipt of all proposals on the sealed envelope. No proposal will be received after the time designated for receipt.
- IV. Contract Description and Qualifications.** The CS Regional Municipal Court Prosecutor shall perform all of the services customarily performed by a Municipal Court Prosecutor of a regional court the size of the CS Regional Municipal Court. Such services include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:
- a. Attend all regular (approximately 5 meetings per month, on Tuesdays and the first Wednesday) and special meetings of the CS Regional Municipal Court;
 - b. Shall be responsible for handling all phases of the prosecution of an offense over which the CS Regional Municipal Court has jurisdiction;
 - c. Shall be an attorney at-law of New Jersey in good standing;
 - d. May at any time move before the CS Regional Municipal Court to amend or dismiss any complaint for good cause shown in accordance with the Rules of the Court;
 - e. The contractor shall possess all required State of New Jersey licenses or certifications.

The resumes or *curricula vitae* of all individuals who will perform services under the contract on behalf of the CS Regional Municipal Court shall be submitted with the prospective contractor’s proposal including any assistant prosecutor for whom appointment

is being sought.

The prospective contractor's proposal shall clearly set forth the proposed financial compensation to be paid to the contractor under the contract.

A proposed contract may be submitted with the contractor's proposal.

V. Selection Process & Award of Contract. Upon receipt of qualifications and proposals, the Upper Deerfield Township Clerk will transmit copies of each proposal to the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee. Proposals will be evaluated on the basis of the most advantageous, price and other factors considered. The evaluation will consider:

- a. A description of the contractors experience as a municipal Prosecutor and reputation of the prospective contractor in the field that is the subject matter of the contract;
- b. Knowledge of the CS Regional Municipal Court municipalities, issues that are unique to these municipalities and the subject matter to be addressed under the contract;
- c. Availability to accommodate any required Court meetings of the CS Regional Municipal Court;
- d. Any professional certifications possessed by the contractor;
- e. Compensation proposal;
- f. Other factors as demonstrated to be in the best interest of the CS Regional Municipal Court.
- g. Certification of no ethical complaints or malpractice within the last five years. If a complaint was filed, provide a detailed explanation of each such complaint; and
- h. A certificate of professional liability insurance coverage with limits of not less than five hundred thousand dollars per person, per occurrence.
- i. A certificate of general liability insurance coverage with limits of not less than five hundred thousand dollars per occurrence.
- j. A certificate of Workers' Compensation Coverage with statutory limits

Upon completion of the review process, the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee shall transmit its findings and recommendations to the Provider municipality of the CS Regional Municipal Court, Upper Deerfield Township, whose governing body may award the subject contract for calendar year 2024 on or after January 4, 2024 by resolution.

VI. Obligation of Prospective Contractor. At the time of receipt of proposals, each prospective contractor will be presumed to have read and to be thoroughly familiar with the contents of the notice of availability of requests for qualifications and proposals that has been posted on the Township of Upper Deerfield website and with the contents of this document. The failure or omission of any prospective contractor to receive or examine either document shall in no way relieve any prospective contractor from any obligation with respect to the proposal submitted.

VII. Investigation of Qualifications. The CS Regional Municipal Court Committee will make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the responsibility of the prospective contractor and the prospective contractor shall furnish the CS Regional Municipal Court

Committee all such information as may be requested by the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee notwithstanding the fact that the release of such information to the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee may result in the disqualification of the prospective contractor and the proposal submitted.

The CS Regional Municipal Court Committee reserves the right to reject any proposal if the evidence submitted by, or the investigation of, such prospective contractor fails to satisfy the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee that such prospective contractor properly is qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract for the work as provided and as described in this document.

- VIII. Signing of Proposal Documentation.** The qualification and proposal documentation that is submitted by the prospective contractor shall be signed by the individual or on behalf of the entity to be bound by the contract.
- IX. New Jersey Business Registration Certificate.** Business organizations or individuals doing business in New Jersey are required to register with the Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue. Prospective contractors submitting proposals shall submit a copy of their business registration certificate to the CS Regional Municipal Court at the time that the proposal is submitted to the CS Regional Municipal Court. See N.J.S.A. 52:32-44b (1). Failure to comply with this paragraph shall result in the disqualification of the prospective contractor.
- X. Miscellaneous.**
- a. Nothing herein shall be construed as an obligation on the part of the CS Regional Municipal Court to award the subject contract under the fair and open procedures described above and the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee, after review of qualifications and proposals that have been submitted, if deemed to be in the best interests of the CS Regional Municipal Court, specifically reserves the right to award the subject contract by utilizing the non-fair and open procedures that are set forth at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, *et. seq.*
 - b. All contracts awarded by the Township of Upper Deerfield as the Provider of the CS Regional Municipal Court shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the Laws of the State of New Jersey.
 - c. If awarded a contract, you or your company/firm shall be required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 *et seq.* and N.J.A.C. 17:27 (EEO in public contracts).
 - d. CS Regional Municipal Court is comprised of ten municipalities utilizing the services of the New Jersey State Police. Any and all discovery will need to be obtained from the New Jersey State Police Office.
 - e. For additional information contact: Roy Spoltore, Township Clerk/Administrator, Upper Deerfield Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, New Jersey, 08302, 856-451-3811.