

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
SPECIAL LITIGATION COUNSEL
ISSUED BY THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

Bid Number: LGL 1401

Bid Closing: June 17, 2014; 3:00 p.m. EST

The Department of Justice of the State of Delaware (“DDOJ”) is issuing this Request for Proposals (“RFP”). The DDOJ seeks to engage a law firm to act as Special Litigation Counsel (“Special Litigation Counsel”) representing the State of Delaware, the Attorney General of the State of Delaware and wardens of Delaware prisons in their official capacities in numerous actions related to the investigation into the Controlled Substances Laboratory of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner of the Department of Health and Social Services (the “OCME issue”). Specifically, defendants in numerous criminal actions have filed motions in Delaware Superior Court pursuant to Superior Court Criminal Rules 33 and 61 seeking relief related to the OCME issue; Other criminal defendants have filed petitions for writs of habeas corpus or motions pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 60(b) in Delaware District Court seeking relief (collectively, the “Actions”). To date, more than 600 motions or petitions have been filed. Based on statements of the Office of the Public Defender, the DDOJ anticipates that there will be at least several thousand more motions or petitions filed. The Actions seek to vacate convictions for drug-related offenses based on, *inter alia*, claims of ineffective assistance of trial counsel and violations of *Brady v. Maryland* related to the OCME issue.

The RFP is available on the State’s website: <http://bids.delaware.gov>

Please submit all questions and requests for information to the Designated RFP Contact:

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RFP Schedule

ID	Date/Time	Activity
1	Thursday, June 12	Request for Proposals issued, posted on the State’s Government Support Services Website, the Attorney General’s Department of Justice Website, and the Delaware State Bar Association Listserv
2	Friday, June 13	All Vendor questions regarding RFP due
3	Monday, June 16	The DDOJ issues answers to questions regarding the RFP via the Attorney General’s website: http://attorneygeneral.delaware.gov and the State of Delaware’s Bid Solicitation Directory: http://bids.delaware.gov
4	Tuesday, June 17 3:00 p.m. EST	RFP Response due date
5	Wednesday, June 18	Begin vendor interviews (subject to change)
6	Thursday, June 19	Begin negotiations (subject to change)
7	Friday, June 20	Contract awarded (subject to change)