



Administrative Office of the Courts

Operations Division

Questions/Responses No. 2 to the Request for Proposals (RFP)K20-0084-49 Courtroom Construction- Salisbury, Maryland

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. The following changes/additions are listed below; new language has been underlined and language deleted has been marked with a strikeout (ex. language deleted).

1. Question: The specs call for the work do be done evenings or weekends.
Who decides this?

Response: District Court Facilities. Engineering and Central Services. Work can not be done while the Courts are open. It can only be done after Hours.

2. Question: Does it show existing pew benches literally built into the rails?

Response: No, they sit in front of the rail and wainscoting.

3. Question: What is the exact style of bench end to be provided. Can you provide more clarification?

Response: Similar to Courtroom #3 picture was attached.

4. Question: Can you please confirm that this is 1st or 2nd floor installation?

- Response: [Unknown, but carpet is being replaced](#)
5. Question: Is there to be carpet demo and installation?
- Response: [Yes](#)
[Done under a separate contract by a flooring vendor.](#)
- Response: a. If yes, how will that be coordinated with regard to timing?
[5pm bench installers remove old benches and galley rails, then flooring vendor removes and installs new carpet while benches are delivered and start assembling them in the outer corridor, after carpet then install benches and galley rails.](#)
- b. If no – then what about the old holes created in the flooring by the demo of the old rails and benches since the new layout is not the same.
6. Question: The bid summary statement refers to courtrooms #1 and #2. Assuming both rooms are identical and they are mirror images?
- Response: [Correct, both rooms are mirror images of each other. Drawing is just a reference and doesn't have the exact number of benches.](#)
7. Question: However when reading the amendment #3 it appears to call for a total of 26 benches but when I look at the old original drawing for courtroom 2 there are only 10 benches shown so 2 room would be a total of 20 benches and not 26 benches.
- Response: [Old drawing was not exact count.](#)
[Drawing attached showing current locations and sizes.](#)
8. Question: Possible solution to getting this right since we can't meet. How about me or one of us bidders provide an exact drawing layout of the room with the desired correct quantity and bench lengths and you then include it clearly in the bid specs. This would allow and ensure that all can correctly bid this.
- Response: [Vendors should include a preliminary drawing of the new seating and galley rail to show they have a clear vision of the scope.](#)
9. Question: Will you accept a bid for Red Oak benches? Please provide dimensions of the galley rails?
- Response: [All of the wood in the Courtroom is Birch. We are not accepting Red Oak. The railing dimensions are on the Salisbury Courtroom Bench detail sheet. ref. 4, 5 & 16. The Galley rail is Bookmark Birch veneer](#)

panels (details are on the sheet provided) The benches are solid Birch.
Please provide a price for Birch and an alternate price for solid wood
Maple Benches, as long as the color can match the Birch panels.

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