

# JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

### RFP-Supreme-032717-Official Reports-WV Publication of the California Official Reports

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1. Would the JBE consider awarding two contracts, one for the print version and one for the online /public access version?

No.

2. Does the JBE require that the public access version of the official reports contain official citations and pagination?

Yes. The public access version must provide the official citation. The current public access version currently does not provide the official pagination. See section 2.5.2 of the Request for Proposals for the JBE's requirements concerning official pagination.

3. Does the JBE require that the public access version contain parallel citations to commercial reporters?

Yes. The public access version must contain parallel citations. The public access version contains the official text of published California opinions and the official text contains parallel citations.

4. Will the JBE continue the current practice of allowing the winning bidder to restrict online access to noncommercial use, or will the JBE now require unrestricted public access to opinions online for all?

The terms and conditions for the public access version are subject to the contract negotiation process.

5. Does the JBE require vendor neutral citations and numbered paragraphs?

No. A responder is free to propose this approach in the response to the Request for Proposals as long as an alternative conforming to the requirements of the Request for Proposals is also provided. If an alternative is proposed, the advantage of using the alternative must also be stated.

6. If the JBE selects to a new vendor, how long of a transition would it consider acceptable for publication the first advance sheets by the new vendor? For publication of the first print volume?

The transition period would be a subject of the contract negotiation process and the parties would agree on a reasonable transition period for both the first advance sheets and the first print volume.

7. As the incumbent publisher, is LexisNexis still required to submit a reference under 7.0 (c)?

Yes, all proposals are required to include one reference under 7.1(c) (mistakenly labeled 7.1 (d)) of the Request for Proposals.

***END OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS***