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NEWS RELEASE

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SUPERIOR COURT SEEKS APPLICANTS TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES FOR JUVENILE DEPENDENCY MATTERS

The Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, is seeking a provider of legal services for juvenile dependency matters. The Request for Proposal (RFP) may be found on the Court's website, <http://www.sccsuperiorcourt.org/news/rfp.htm>.

The purpose of this RFP is to provide the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara (Court) the information to select the most efficient and cost effective provider of child representation in dependency cases.

Proposals will be considered in developing a plan for handling these cases beginning July 1, 2006. Proposals are being solicited for a multi-year contract and a total fee bid for each year is required. Only proposals for an all-inclusive contract will be accepted.

The Court intends to negotiate with applicants whose proposals best serve the needs of the Court at a reasonable cost. The Court reserves the right to reject all proposals.

Costs incurred by applicants in responding to this RFP are entirely the responsibility of the applicants and will not be reimbursed.

The Proposal should express the applicant's familiarity with the juvenile dependency drug treatment court, dependency court mediation, and the family decision-making conferencing model of reaching reunification agreements, all of which are used in Santa Clara County.

A Bidders' Conference will be convened by the Court on Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. Staff will **not** be available to answer further questions after the Bidders' Conference.