

**THE JUDICIARY, STATE OF HAWAII  
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION  
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D**

TO: Chief Procurement Officer

FROM: Courts of Appeal  
*Name of Requesting Division/Program*

*Pursuant to HRS § 103D -102 (b)(4) and HAR Chapter 3-120, The Judiciary requests a procurement exemption for the following:*

<p>1. Describe the goods, services or construction: To furnish and install the front end (fiber infrastructure) of a new access control network at Ali'iolani Hale and the Kapuaiwa Building.</p>	
<p>2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider: Communication Consulting Services, Inc. 3375 Koapaka Street, Suite F220-24 Honolulu, HI 96819</p>	<p>3. Amount of Request:  not to exceed \$150,000.00</p>
<p>4. Term of Contract From: To: 06/30/2025 Upon execution of contract</p>	<p>5. Prior Judiciary Procurement Exemption No. (if applicable):</p>
<p>6. Explain in detail why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the Program/Division to procure by competitive means: Communications Consulting Services, Inc. (CCSI) has a proven track record of successfully completing fiber installation projects as they were the Judiciary's cabling contractor for over 15 years. They consistently performed well during service, troubleshooting, repair or expansion work, and responding to these needs in a timely manner. A majority of the Judiciary's existing network equipment was furnished by CCSI. In 2021, they also installed the infrastructure for the Supreme Court's Integrated Security Camera Surveillance and Recording System (System) network at Ali'iolani Hale. Their extensive knowledge of the building's infrastructure, developed through previous projects, ensures a thorough understanding of the specific requirements and challenges associated with this installation. Engaging a new vendor would necessitate a learning curve, potentially leading to delays and increased costs. Opting for competitive bidding could introduce complexities regarding component compatibility and system integration, potentially compromising the network's performance and reliability. Moreover, new vendors may hesitate to warranty the entire system if third-party components are integrated, leading to potential disputes and additional costs for resolving warranty issues. Ensuring a seamless installation by CCSI mitigates these risks and guarantees a unified warranty for all components. Please see Attachment A for further details.</p>	
<p>7. Explain in detail, the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the vendor/contractor/service provider: Review of Previous Work and Expertise: We evaluated CCSI's previous work within Ali'iolani Hale, considering their extensive knowledge and expertise in the building's infrastructure. CCSI's history of successful projects and their ability to navigate the unique challenges of the historic facility were critical factors in their selection. Verification of Authorized Vendor Status: Confirmation of CCSI's inclusion on the State Procurement Office (SPO) Price List 17-16 validated their compliance with state-mandated procurement standards. This verification assured adherence to regulatory requirements and underscored their capacity to deliver cost-effective solutions without compromising on quality. Assessment of Proposal: CCSI submitted a comprehensive proposal that included both price list items and non-price list items, specifically addressing the need for single-mode armored fiber optic cabling. The proposal was assessed for its ability to meet the technical and security requirements of the project. Please see Attachment A for further details.</p>	

8. Identify the primary responsible staff person(s) conducting and managing this procurement. (Appropriate delegated procurement authority and completion of mandatory training required).

\*Point of contact (Place asterisk after name of person to contact for additional information).

Name	Division/Program	Phone Number	email address
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**All requirements/approvals and internal controls for this expenditure is the responsibility of the Division/Program. I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.**

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*/s/ Elizabeth Zack*  
*Department/Division/Program Head Signature*

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*6/19/2024*  
*Date*

**For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only**

Date Notice Posted: \_\_\_\_\_

Inquiries about this request shall be directed to the contact named in Item 8. Submit written objection to this NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION within seven (7) calendar days, or as otherwise allowed, from the Date Notice Posted to:

Chief Procurement Officer – The Judiciary  
 Financial Services Department  
 Contracts & Purchasing Office  
 1111 Alakea Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-2807

Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

Approved

Disapproved

No Action Required

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*Chief Procurement Officer Signature* *Date*



