Background

(info on organization)

The Sample Court seeks the development of an integrated Online Dispute Resolution system (ODR) to provide a mechanism for the public to handle {what case types} online.

The Sample Court currently handles (##) of small claims and (##) of misdemeanor traffic violations per month and utilizes (##) judges and (##) clerks and other support staff to facilitate current court processes. It is the Sample Court's desire to establish streamline and simplified processes, and to utilize technology to:

- help the public triage legal issues and select an appropriate path to problem resolution.
- facilitate and where possible, automate, problem resolution processes.
- make court processes more understandable, affordable, and accessible to the public.
- enhance the public's experience with the courts.

(anything else about the court)

Scope of Work

Project Goals

{Insert business goals here. Sample goals might include reducing default judgments, reducing time to resolution, (other sample goals)}

Proposer's Responsibilities

The court anticipates the vendor working closely with (what) court personnel to accomplish the following tasks:

- 1. Identify and engage key stakeholders (the public, court personnel, local bar association, partner agencies, etc.) that would be served by or impacted by the implementation of ODR.
- 2. Work with key stakeholders to establish objectives for ODR.
- 3. Work with key stakeholders to document current paper and/or system processes, documents, points of interaction, and outcomes.
- 4. Identify process redundancies, inefficiencies, bottlenecks, and constraints.
- 5. Recommend a problem resolution process.
- 6. Recommend customizable off-the-shelf (COTS) technologies to facilitate the proposed resolution process.

- 7. Identify potential integration points with existing case management system.
- 8. Work with designated court personnel and key stakeholders to develop a project plan.

System Requirements

The court requires a solution that will facilitate online resolution of {case types}. The vendor will propose platform and functionality to meet the court's current and projected case flow requirements.

Describe how the proposed solution addresses the following:

Case types Provide a list of case types your organization currently has

implemented with other customers.

Triage How the proposed solution helps a user triage a problem,

facilitates triage by the court, and guides the participant to the

correct path (guided interview).

Validation Describe how the system minimizes the potential for

unmeritorious complaints.

De-escalation mechanisms How the proposed solution helps shape and "de-conflictualize"

communication between parties. Describe if/how the proposed

system detects and neutralizes inflammatory language.

Streamlining How the proposed solution improves existing processes.

Ability to pay If/how the proposed solution helps adjudicators understand a

defendant's ability to pay, sets an appropriate payment schedule, provides automated payment reminders, and integrates with an

online payment mechanism

Post-adjudication Describe post adjudication enforcement capabilities (if any).

Automation Describe the proposed ODR technology in terms of automation

and human involvement. In what stages/instances could the

process be fully automated?

Transparency Identify system processes and algorithms that impact decision-

making. If AI is used to assist resolution, what are those

algorithms?

Data Identify data collection points in the resolution process. Can users

triage an issue without providing personal identifying

information? Who owns the data? How long is data retained, by

whom, and where? What data retention and destruction policies

are in place and how are they enforced?

Metrics Describe how is data used to inform decision-making algorithms

and improve justice processes. What data elements are

necessary, how they will be captured, and what mechanisms are employed to ensure good data hygiene? What reporting tools are included? What information can be gleaned to help meet justice

objectives?

Privacy and Security Explain the proposed solution's data protection, security,

redundancy, and disaster recovery mechanisms. If the vendor utilizes a cloud provider, what are the vendor's privacy and security policies and processes? Is a cybersecurity incident recovery plan in place, and if so, what is the victim notification policy and process? Describe adherence to standards such as NIST

and laws such as GDPR.

Communications How does the system facilitates communications and negotiations

(chat, video, synchronous, asynchronous, private chat, AI, etc.)?

Documents Does the system meets the court's current documentation

requirements? What automated processes could reduce forms requirements, and how could the implementation address both current and future documentation requirements? Does the

system support electronic signatures?

Interfaces to other systems Describe in terms of the Court Component Model.

Standards Does the proposed solution adhere to ODR technical and ethical

standards?

Support Automated and human technical and user support mechanisms

for both court personnel and the public. Include hours/days of

coverage.

Net Promotor Scoring How the proposed solution quantifies and utilizes net promotor

score.

Usability tracking How the proposed solution tracks and analyzes bounce rates,

resolution rates (including resolution before a formal case is filed),

and cases that fail to progress.

Technology Describe the technologies the solution uses – platforms,

architecture, etc.

Pricing

Describe the proposed solution in terms of cost. Identify creative approaches beyond traditional transactional fee model. Describe enterprise pricing, if available.