

**Additional Questions Received
as of May 16, 2006**

1. Do you experience interference from cell phone and/or Blackberry-type devices?

We suspect digital communication devices may play some role in our current audio problems, but it is difficult to know exactly how. We have a notice outside the courtroom requesting that parties turn off cell phones, but that does not preclude them from switching them to a "silent" mode. Also, there are several wireless networks in the building and any number of PDA-type devices may be present in the courtroom without our knowledge.

On a related note, teleconference parties who participate via cell phone are often very difficult to hear through the system.

2. When you have volume problems with the teleconference system, is it usually from one particular caller or source?

Volume and echo problems do not seem to be isolated to any particular participant or source. These problems are intermittent and difficult to duplicate.

3. Do you record audio in multiple channels?

Yes. Our FTR software records in four channels.

4. Are you currently able to mute microphones? Do you have "sidebar" conversations?

We are not currently able to mute microphones. All microphones are on at all times. We do not currently have "sidebar" conversations. The ability to mute microphones would be a welcome addition to the system but is not a requirement of the RFP.

5. What kind of assistive listening device do you use and what kind of audio output from the mixer does it require?

Our current assistive listening device is an Audex SA-PS1-U2 Infrared Portable Emitter. At this time, we do not connect it to the audio system. The device has a microphone that picks up sound. For additional information on Audex, please see www.audex.com.

6. Would you be willing to make changes to your PC hardware (e.g., sound card) to accommodate a new system?

Preferably not. The FTR mixer is connected to the PC via a 9-pin to 25-pin serial cable to an FTR-compatible 4-channel sound card (separate from the PC's regular stereo sound card). We would only be willing to replace that sound card if the new sound card works with our existing FTR software. For more information on FTR, please see www.fortherecord.com.

7. Regarding the Statement of Work section on product literature, warranty and schematic documentation (RFP section III. B. 2.; p. 8), is that required at the time proposals are submitted?

The Vendor should provide as much written documentation in their proposal as possible, and should address these topics with as much specificity as practical. However, warranty information for the installed equipment and site-specific wiring diagrams and schematics may be provided by the Vendor at the time the work is completed in our courtrooms.

8. Regarding the scheduling of installation, will there be two or three consecutive business days when the Vendor will be able to install the new equipment?

The State Bar Court will work with the Vendor to schedule an installation time that is mutually acceptable. Due to our busy court calendars, this may involve after-hours or weekend work (see RFP section III. B. 7., p. 9)

9. Can Vendor proposals be emailed to you in lieu of paper delivery?

No. Proposals must be mailed or hand-delivered to the State Bar of California, 180 Howard St., San Francisco, CA 94105 by Wednesday, May 24, at 5:00 p.m. Note: see also 10., below.

10. Are six paper copies required?

Yes. Please provide six paper copies of all documents in your proposal. Please note: the Business History Questionnaire must be in electronic form (enclosed disc or CD, or emailed to dan.gaff@calbar.ca.gov). See RFP section II. A. 1.; p. 2.

11. Can questions be asked up to 5 business days prior to the deadline?

Yes. Questions can be asked up 5 business days prior to the deadline (see RFP section II. F.; p. 5). Since the proposal deadline is Wednesday, May 24, 2006, at 5:00 p.m., the deadline for questions is Wednesday, May 17, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. Questions emailed or phoned-in after that time cannot be answered.