

# 47PE0320Q0006- Design Excellence, New Ft Lauderdale Federal Courthouse Bridging Architect

## Questions & Answers:

**1) What, if any, "special extenuating factors" that might excuse a non-classical design vocabulary might be. Will only firms willing to build in classical idiom be considered?**

*Answer:*

*As stated, Classical architectural is the preferred style. GSA acknowledges the challenges associated with a classical architectural style in South Florida which may necessitate another style esthetic that follows the classical philosophy, while maintaining the dignity of the Judiciary and Federal Government.*

**2) Does GSA define what is considered Bridging Documents? What level of Schematic Design or Design Development will the Lead Designer Team take the documents?**

*Answer:*

*The scope of work will define the requirements for the Bridging Documents. The goal of the bridging documents will be to focus on the visual characteristics of the design (i.e. material selection, finishes, color, relationship of building elements, space planning, site planning, fenestration design). The Bridging Documents will be used as the basis for the selection of design builder(DB) RFP, and shall be prepared to allow the DB the maximum freedom and flexibility to select the most efficient systems. The bridging documents would equate to roughly and 80% complete concept level design. The scope will include options for the Lead Designer to provide consultation to GSA during the DB design and construction phases to ensure the intent of the bridging documents are maintained.*

**3) Will the 35% geographic restriction be applied to the state of Florida or will it be limited to the adjacent-counties area that was referenced in the pre-solicitation notice from 2019?**

*Answer:*

*The 35% geographic restriction will be defined as "Within 1,000 miles of Ft Lauderdale, Florida".*