

## **General Professional Services Questionnaire**

### **General Professional Services Questionnaire Instructions**

- The General Professional Services Questionnaire shall be used for all professional services except outside legal services and architecture, engineering, or survey projects.
- **The General Professional Services Questionnaire must be completely filled out. Complete ALL sections. Insert “N/A” or “None” if a section does not apply or if there is no information to provide.**
- Questionnaire must be dated and signed by an authorized representative of the Firm.
- All subcontractors must be listed in the appropriate section of the Questionnaire. All subcontractors must provide a fully completed copy of this questionnaire, applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement.
- If additional pages are needed, attach them to the questionnaire and include all applicable information that is required by the questionnaire.
- Failure to properly complete this General Professional Services Questionnaire will result in the proposal being deemed not qualified pursuant to Section 2-928(a) of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, and the proposal will not be evaluated or scored.
- Jefferson Parish adheres to the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics, contained in Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated, R.S. 42:1101, et seq. Vendor/Proposer by this submission, warrants that there are no “conflicts of interest” related to this procurement that would violate applicable Louisiana Law. Violation of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics may result in rescission of contract, permit or licenses, and the imposition of fines and/or penalties, without contractual liability to the public in accordance with applicable law.

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**A. Project Name and Advertisement Resolution Number:**  
Resolution No. 137052

**B. Firm Name & Address:**  
Roedel Parsons Blache Fontana Piontek & Pisano, A LC  
8440 Jefferson Highway, Suite 301  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

**C. Name, title, & contact information of Firm Representative, as defined in Section 2-926 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, with at least five (5) years of experience in the applicable field required for this Project:**

Luke F. Piontek, Managing Shareholder  
8440 Jefferson Highway, Suite 301  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809  
Telephone: (225) 929-7033  
Facsimile: (225) 928-4925  
E: lpiontek@roedelparsons.com

**D. Address of principal office where Project work will be performed:**

Roedel Parsons Blache Fontana Piontek & Pisano, A LC  
8440 Jefferson Highway, Suite 301  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

**E. Is this submittal by a JOINT-VENTURE? Please check:**

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO ☒ \_\_\_\_\_

**If marked "No" skip to Section H. If marked "yes" complete Sections F-G.**

**F. If submittal is by JOINT-VENTURE, list the firms participating and outline specific areas of responsibility (including administrative, technical, and financial) for each firm. Please attach additional pages is necessary.**

1.  
N/A

2.

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G. Has this JOINT-VENTURE previously worked together? Please check: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

H. List all subcontractors anticipated for this Project. Please note that all subcontractors must submit a fully completed copy of this questionnaire, applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement. See Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Sec. 2-928(a)(3). Please attach additional pages if necessary.

Name & Address:	Specialty:	Worked with Firm Before (Yes or No):
1. N/A		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		



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<b>I. Please specify the total number of support personnel that may assist in the completion of this Project:</b> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; width: 100px; margin-top: 5px;">4</div>
<b>J. List any professionals that may assist in the completion of this Project. If necessary, please attach additional documentation that demonstrates the employment history and experience of the Firm's professionals that may assist in the completion of this Project (i.e. resume). Please attach additional pages if necessary.</b>
<b>PROFESSIONAL NO. 1</b>
<b>Name &amp; Title:</b> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;">Luke F. Piontek</div>
<b>Name of Firm with which associated:</b> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;">Roedel Parsons Blache Fontana Piontek &amp; Pisano, A LC</div>
<b>Description of job responsibilities:</b> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 100px; margin-top: 5px;"> <p>Mr. Piontek is responsible for oversight and direct involvement in the representation of clients in various litigation, regulatory and contractual / transactional matters. He has over 25 years of legal experience, with his practice focusing primarily on complex litigation and some corporate and transactional work. Mr. Piontek has litigated hundreds of lawsuits for both plaintiffs and defendants involving a wide variety of matters including contractual disputes, regulated utility cases, such as rate cases and other utility matters, class actions and expropriation (eminent domain) suits</p> </div>
<b>Years' experience with this Firm:</b> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;">28 Years</div>
<b>Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:</b> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"> <p>Mr. Piontek earned his B.A. degree from LSU in Political Science in 1986 and then went on to pursue his Juris Doctorate at Paul M. Hebert (LSU) Law School, graduating in 1989</p> </div>
<b>Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:</b> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 100px; margin-top: 5px;"> <p>Mr. Piontek's work with expropriation issues includes serving as the supervising attorney since 2010 on an expropriation project involving the acquisition of 446 parcels (70 acres) of property in mid-city New Orleans, Louisiana on behalf of Louisiana State University and State of Louisiana, Division of Administration for the construction of the new LSU University Medical Center (to replace Charity Hospital) and the new Veterans Affairs Medical Center. This project encompasses over 125 expropriation suits. He has litigated numerous cases ranging in value from \$10 million to \$40 million. In the class action arena, Mr. Piontek has secured victories and settlements for his clients totaling over \$100 million. Mr. Piontek has been recognized in Best Lawyers in America since 2013.</p> </div>

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<b>PROFESSIONAL NO. 2</b>
<b>Name &amp; Title:</b>
Charles Pisano, Shareholder
<b>Name of Firm with which associated:</b>
Roedel Parsons Blache Fontana Piontek & Pisano, A LC
<b>Description of job responsibilities:</b>
Mr. Pisano has an extensive litigation practice in the firm's New Orleans office. For more than 20 years, has prosecuted and defended mass tort and class action matters, including serving as lead defense counsel on the successful appeal to the Louisiana Supreme Court of a decision certifying a toxic tort class action in Alexander v. Norfolk Southern Corp., 82 So.3d 1234 (La. 2012). In Cole v. General Motors, No. 01-0123, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana, was approved as class counsel for plaintiffs in a nationwide class action and argued class certification issues before the U.S. Court of Appeal for the 5th Circuit. He has been recognized in the field of MassTort Litigation/Class Actions-Defendants in Best Lawyers in America
<b>Years' experience with this Firm:</b>
9 Years
<b>Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:</b>
Mr. Pisano graduated in 1984 from Louisiana State University with a degree in Finance then went on to pursue his Juris Doctrate at LSU, graduating in 1988 with Honors- Order of the Coif and Law Review.
<b>Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:</b>

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<b>PROFESSIONAL NO. 3</b>
<b>Name &amp; Title:</b>
Skye Sturlese Fantaci, Shareholder
<b>Name of Firm with which associated:</b>
Roedel Parsons Blache Fontana Piontek & Pisano, A LC
<b>Description of job responsibilities:</b>
Ms. Fantaci has a general civil litigation practice with an emphasis in first -party property damage insurance disputes, insurance coverage, and defense of bad faith claims. She also handles defense of companies against claims for general liability matters such as slip and falls, dog bites, and lease disputes. She has successfully represented clients in matters in La State and Federal courts. She previously worked as a Law Clerk in the U.S. District Courts for the Western and Eastern Districts of Louisiana. Skye believes in an aggressive, innovative and thorough approach to discovery and investigation to ensure efficient, expedient and successful results for her clients. She has handled significant motion practice and appellate arguments.
<b>Years' experience with this Firm:</b>
8 Years
<b>Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:</b>
Mrs. Fantaci received her Bachelor of Arts in 1999 from the University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS. She went on to pursue an Juris Doctrate from Louisiana State University in May 2002.
<b>Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:</b>



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### **PROFESSIONAL NO. 4**

**Name & Title:**

**Name of Firm with which associated:**

**Description of job responsibilities:**

**Years' experience with this Firm:**

**Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:**

**Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:**



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PROFESSIONAL NO. 5	
Name & Title:	
Name of Firm with which associated:	
Description of job responsibilities:	
Years' experience with this Firm:	
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:	
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:	



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**K. List all prior projects that best illustrate the Firm's qualifications relevant to this Project. Please include any and all work performed for Jefferson Parish. Please attach additional pages if necessary.**

### PROJECT NO. 1

Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Description of Services Provided:
Parish of Jefferson, State of LA and Consolidated Sewerage District No. 1.  vs.  Barabay Property Holding Company, LLC (f/k/a Barabay Property Holding Corporation)	Legal representation of Jefferson Parish
Length of Services Provided:	Cost of Services Provided:
6 years	\$67,526.00

### PROJECT NO. 2

Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Description of Services Provided:
All Star Premier Homes, LLC  vs.  Jefferson Parish, et al	Legal representation of Jefferson Parish
Length of Services Provided:	Cost of Services Provided:
2 years	\$48,562.25

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<b>PROJECT NO. 3</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
Bel-Cage vs. Jefferson Parish	Legal representation of Jefferson Parish
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>
1 year	\$3,573.50

<b>PROJECT NO. 4</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
Villafarra vs. Jefferson Parish	Legal representation of Jefferson Parish
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>
18 months	\$23,521.50

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<b>PROJECT NO. 5</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
Borras v. Jefferson Parish	Legal representation of Jefferson Parish
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>
18 months	\$13,670.50

<b>PROJECT NO. 6</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
Bernie Johnson v. Jefferson Parish	Legal representation of Jefferson Parish
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>
6 months	\$965.00



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<b>PROJECT NO. 7</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
Diane Bourgeois v. Jefferson Parish	Legal representation of Jefferson Parish
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>
2 months	


<b>PROJECT NO. 8</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>

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<b>PROJECT NO. 9</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>

<b>PROJECT NO. 10</b>	
<b>Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:</b>	<b>Description of Services Provided:</b>
<b>Length of Services Provided:</b>	<b>Cost of Services Provided:</b>

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<b>L. List all prior and/or on-going litigation between Firm and Jefferson Parish. Please attach additional pages if necessary.</b>		
<b>Parties:</b>		<b>Status/Result of Case:</b>
<b>Plaintiff:</b>	<b>Defendant:</b>	
1. N/A		
2.		
3.		
4.		
<b>M. Use this space to provide any additional information or description of resources supporting Firm's qualifications for the proposed project.</b>		
Please see attached.		
<b>N. To the best of my knowledge, the foregoing is an accurate statement of facts.</b>		
Signature: <u></u> Print Name: <u>Luke F. Piontek</u>		
Title: <u>Managing Shareholder</u> Date: <u>May 10, 2021</u>		



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Professional Legal Services Questionnaire  
(Additional Information)**

**Section M.** (Additional information or description of resources supporting Firm's qualifications for the proposed project):

**ROEDEL PARSONS BLACHE FONTANA PIONTEK & PISANO** provides extensive legal services to the State of Louisiana, parishes (including Jefferson Parish) and municipalities in areas ranging from general defense work to land use and expropriation work to workers' compensation work. Roedel Parsons was formed in 1988 and has two offices: one in New Orleans, located at 1515 Poydras Street, Suite 2330, New Orleans, LA 70112, and the other in Baton Rouge, located at 8440 Jefferson Highway, Suite 301, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. Roedel Parsons currently employs 24 attorneys, as well as a number of paralegals and legal assistants. Roedel Parsons is well-equipped to handle a wide variety of legal matters for Jefferson Parish. Below are the descriptions of several key attorneys with Roedel Parsons who may provide legal services to Jefferson Parish under the scope of work in addition to those mentioned in the body of the RFQ response.

**J. KENTON PARSONS:** Practice has focused for almost four decades on a blend of regulatory, administrative and litigation practice with extensive work in all phases of the oil and gas industry including development, exploration, production and transportation. Representation has also included extensive experience representing clients including independent power producers, local distribution gas utilities, trucking companies, telecommunication companies as well as industrial, commercial and residential ratepayers, before the Louisiana Public Service Commission and other regulatory bodies requiring trials of rate cases and numerous compliant proceedings before state and federal courts. Extensive experience in expropriation and inverse condemnation cases.

**WAYNE J. FONTANA:** Mr. Fontana is a native New Orleanian and graduate of Loyola School of Law. He served as law clerk to the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, and he is presently managing partner of the New Orleans office of Roedel Parsons Blache Fontana Piontek & Pisano. He is a member of the New Orleans and Louisiana Bar Associations and the American Society of Law and Medicine. He has served as a seminar speaker for the Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel, DRI, the Defense Research Institute, the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry, The Louisiana Association of Self Insured Employers, the National Council of Self Insurers, the American Tort Reform Association, numerous national seminar companies and several professional business groups and trade associations. Mr. Fontana's practice is primarily in the areas of workers' compensation, general liability, personal injury defense, product liability and governmental affairs. Mr. Fontana has served as a legal advisor to the State Office of Workers Compensation Administration and, through multiple gubernatorial appointments, has sat on that office's Advisory Board. He was also a member of and has led several Task Forces on Workers Compensation under Governors Treen, Roemer, Foster and Jindal. He has participated in the drafting of all major business initiated workers compensation reforms in Louisiana since 1983. Mr. Fontana is general counsel for LASIE, the Louisiana Association of Self Insured Employers, and he serves on that organization's Legislative Committee, Conference Committee,

Self Insured Fund Committee and Advisory Council. He teaches LASIE's Claims Module of its nationally recognized Workers Compensation Professional Certification Program (CWCP) and has served as an instructor in its Certified Medicare Secondary Payor Professional Program. Mr. Fontana has testified before various courts as an expert in the field of workers compensation, and Louisianians for Workers Compensation Reform (LWCR) and other reform groups and business organizations have utilized Mr. Fontana as a bill drafter and legal expert to testify on their behalf before the Louisiana Legislature. He has been recognized by various courts as an expert in the field of Louisiana workers' compensation law and, at times, is asked to mediate complex workers' compensation disputes. He was recognized in City Business in its 2016 Leadership in Law Class, and he has maintained the highest Martindale-Hubbell rating, AV Preeminent, for many years.

**THOMAS BALHOFF:** Since the mid-1990s, Mr. Balhoff has focused on the representation of several industrial contractors who operate in the areas of construction, maintenance, heavy equipment, and related services associated with refineries, petrochemical plants and the production of oil, involving defending numerous cases against all types of personal injuries, including those asserting claims from toxic chemical exposures to asbestos, acrylonitrile, ammonia, benzene, ethylene dichloride, hydrofluoric acid, mustard agents, NORM, phthalic anhydride, and vinyl chloride. His representation has included advice on indemnity/insurance issues. Has also represented the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of Conservation, in oilfield legacy matters since 2008, and beginning in 2013 has been appointed by the Commissioner of Conservation on a number of occasions to serve as hearing officer in legacy and/or oilfield contamination cases requiring public hearing under Act 312. Has been recognized in the field of Insurance, Mass Tort and Class Actions in *Best Lawyers in America*.

**ROSS A. DOOLEY:** Mr. Dooley handles employment-related litigation and complex casualty defense (including traumatic brain injuries and class action litigation) for the State of Louisiana and serves as outside counsel for the Baton Rouge Police Department to handle all civil service litigation and disciplinary matters. Current business-practice portfolio includes mergers, acquisitions, conversions, corporate governance, trademark, copyright, commercial transactions, business entity development and formation, business litigation, alcohol licensing, collections, creditor's rights in bankruptcy, construction litigation. Formerly served as Assistant City Attorney for Town of Walker and Assistant City Attorney and Code Enforcement Prosecutor for the City of Central. Handles variety of employment-law matters including discrimination, harassment, EEOC claims, development and draft of human resources policies and procedures, Fair Labor Standards Act litigation, FMLA litigation, and legal compliance.

**W.L. "COLEY" WEST:** Mr. West's practice has focused for four decades on litigation, regulatory and administrative practice, with emphasis on all types of commercial and environmental litigation. Extensive experience in representing secured lenders in state court and bankruptcy cases. Represented the City of New Orleans, Board of Liquidation, City Debt, for 20 years in legislative matters and as liaison to bond counsel for the issuance of general obligation and dedicated tax and revenue bonds.