

November 13, 2015

RFP #Y16-166-ZM

**PRIVATE COUNSEL FOR 2015 ORANGE COUNTY VALUE
ADJUSTMENT BOARD**

ADDENDUM NO. 1

Q: In section 6.C.1., it provides that “Any private counsel interested in serving as special legal counsel must . . . have a minimum of five (5) years’ experience in the area of VAB counsel and have extensive experience in real estate law and the law of ad valorem taxation.”

Please clarify whether this requires the responding party to have served as a VAB attorney for at least 5 years, or to have 5 years of experience in the areas of law pertinent to the VAB process. For example, would an attorney who has practiced in the relevant areas of law for 5 years, but only served as VAB counsel for 3 years be qualified?

A: The applicant does not have to have 5 years' experience as *VAB counsel*. The applicant must have 5 years' experience *in the area of ad valorem taxation*. This can be as a tax agent representing petitioners, as PA counsel, as a special magistrate in the VAB process, as VAB counsel or in some other demonstrable way.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA

- a. The bidder/proposer shall acknowledge receipt of this addendum by completing the applicable section in the solicitation or by completion of the acknowledgement information on the addendum. Either form of acknowledgement must be completed and returned not later than the date and time for receipt of the bid or proposal.
- b. Receipt acknowledged by:

Authorized Signer

Date Signed

Title

Name of Bidder/Proposer