

DECISION



**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

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FILE: B-213536

DATE: November 4, 1983

MATTER OF: Kaufman Press Printing

DIGEST:

GAO will not review an affirmative determination of responsibility in the absence of a showing of possible fraud or misapplication of definitive responsibility criteria.

Kaufman Press Printing protests the award of a contract for convenience desk-top copiers to Savin Corporation under solicitation No. FGE-83-75258-N issued by the General Services Administration. Kaufman alleges that Savin is not capable of meeting the terms of the contract.

We dismiss the protest.

Kaufman's allegation constitutes a challenge to the contracting officer's affirmative determination of Savin's responsibility, as evidenced by award of the contract to Savin. Our Office does not review a contracting officer's affirmative determination of responsibility absent a showing that contracting officials acted fraudulently or in bad faith, or that definitive responsibility criteria in the solicitation have not been met. Cardinal Moving & Storage Inc., B-209915, December 22, 1982, 83-1 CPD 2. Neither exception is involved here.

The protest is dismissed.

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