



United States
General Accounting Office
Washington, D.C. 20548

Office of the General Counsel

Matter of: Capital Hill Reporting, Inc.
File: B-259889
Date: January 26, 1995

DECISION

Capital Hill Reporting, Inc. protests the decision of the Securities and Exchange Commission not to set-aside request for proposals (RFP) No. SECHQ1-94-R-0008 for court reporting and transcription services for exclusive small business competition.

We view this protest as academic because the agency has issued Amendment 0003, setting aside the entire solicitation for small business.

The jurisdiction of our Office is established by the bid protest provisions of the Competition in Contracting Act of 1984, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3551-3556 (1988). Our role in resolving bid protests is to ensure that the statutory requirements for full and open competition are met. Brown Assocs. Mgmt. Servs., Inc.--Request for Recon., B-235906.3, Mar. 16, 1990, 90-1 CPD ¶ 299.

The General Accounting Office will not consider protests where the issue presented has no practical consequences with regard to an existing federal government procurement, and thus is of purely academic interest. Accordingly, the protest is dismissed.


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