

**STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE  
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION  
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D**

TO: Chief Procurement Officer

FROM: Department of Management  
*Name of Requesting Department*

Pursuant to HRS § 103D-102(b)(4) and HAR chapter 3-120, the Department requests a procurement exemption for the following:

1. Describe the goods, services or construction: Professional Investigative Services
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2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider: Marr Jones & Wang	3. Amount of Request: \$ est \$40,000
4. Term of Contract From: 2/16/2022 To: 6/30/2022	5. Prior SPO-007, Procurement Exemption (PE): N/A

6. Explain in detail, why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the department to procure by competitive means: An investigation into complaints received recently need to proceed immediately, and Marr Jones & Wang have the specialized experience to start and complete the investigation in a timely manner. It is imperative that work begin expeditiously to ensure the County properly investigates complaints and follows applicable policies on the matter.
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7. Explain in detail, the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the vendor/contractor/service provider: Review occurred on whether the Department of the Corporation Counsel's QBS list for special counsel could be utilized in this instance. Upon this option not being possible, different options were considered. Marr Jones & Wang specializes in labor and employment law. The law firm of Ota & Hara was considered, but the Department of Management recently utilized Marr Jones & Wang for a high profile investigation and they can get the investigation started and completed more expeditiously, as time is of the essence.
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8. Identify the primary responsible staff person(s) conducting and managing this procurement. (Appropriate delegated procurement authority and completion of mandatory training required).

\*Point of contact (Place asterisk after name of person to contact for additional information).

Name	Division/Agency	Phone Number	e-mail address
Sandy Baz	Management	270-7202	Sandy.Baz@mauicounty.gov
Josiah Nishita*	Management	270-7205	Josiah.Nishita@mauicounty.gov

**All requirements/approvals and internal controls for this expenditure is the responsibility of the department. I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.**

  
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 Department Head Signature

2/15/22  
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 Date

**For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only**

Date Notice Posted: 02/16/22

Inquiries about this request shall be directed to the contact named in No. 8. Submit written objection to this notice to issue an exempt contract within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from date notice posted to:

[jared.masuda@co.maui.hi.us](mailto:jared.masuda@co.maui.hi.us)

Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

Approved

Disapproved

No Action Required

  
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 Chief Procurement Officer Signature

2/23/22  
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 Date