



**State of West Virginia
Department of Administration
Purchasing Division**

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Dear Selection Committee:

Silling Associates, Inc. is pleased to submit an Expression of Interest to provide complete architectural, engineering design and construction administration services for the new West Virginia Army National Guard facility in Marion County, West Virginia. We offer the Army National Guard a highly professional planning & design team experienced with federal, state and local government facility projects throughout the state of West Virginia.

The WV Army National Guard, like so many Silling clients have done in the past several years, are seeking a highly dynamic, design-oriented, competent, and professional design firm that will deliver the very best in design and project management. More and more of this state's most prominent design and construction projects have been commissioned to Silling Associates. When Oklahoma-based Chesapeake Energy required the very best in a West Virginia architecture firm to design and build its 125,000 square foot regional headquarters and various field offices, they chose Silling. When Morgan County lost its historic courthouse to a tragic fire, they turned to Silling. When the leadership and congregation at Bible Center Church decided to hire an architect to design a new \$15 million worship and fellowship center, they turned to Silling. The WV Division of Corrections, who have been faced with incredible challenges due to prison overcrowding, have turned to Silling time and time again to create highly-functional, cost-effective designs at the Huttonsville, Mount Olive, St. Mary's, Stevens, Martinsburg, and Pruntytown facilities. The West Virginia Lottery, hand selected Silling Associates to plan and design a new Lottery and Revenue Center located on the campus of the state Capitol.



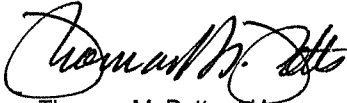
What is the common thread that leads so many owners to Silling? It's quite simple. Silling offers a unique blend of artistic creativity coupled with a high level of building functionality and efficiency, unparalleled professionalism and responsible project management, and some of the most detailed and thorough construction documents of any architect in this state. Our projects are completed on time, on budget, and with an incredible level of care and due diligence. We are not church planners, courthouse architects, corporate designers, educational experts, nor do we proclaim to be specialists in military design. Though we have had experience with just about every type of building type imaginable, we simply like to say that we are **problem solvers**. The nature of any design and construction project is that there will be a number of unforeseen events, obstacles and circumstances—solutions will need to be developed quickly and

effectively by your design team. Through our attentive detail work and proactive management style, Silling will make quick and effective decisions that will ensure a most successful project.

If given the opportunity to interview with the WV Army National Guard, we would be excited to show you what Chesapeake Energy, Bible Center Church, Morgan County, and so many others have experienced with our firm what led them to pick the best architects and problem solvers in West Virginia. The new generation of architects at Silling Associates would be honored and humbled with the opportunity to deliver an exciting project for the West Virginia Army National Guard.

Sincerely,

SILLING ASSOCIATES, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas M. Potts". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Thomas M. Potts, AIA
President