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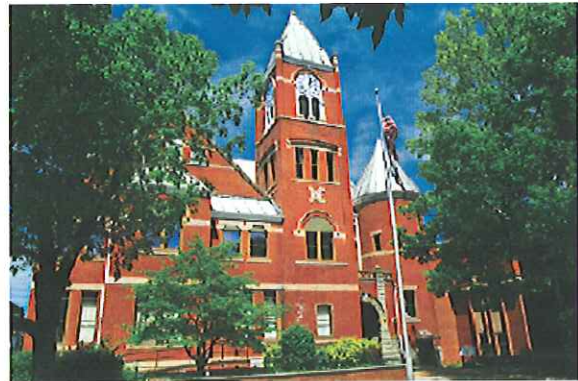
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Due to the size of this bid, it was impractical to scan every page for online viewing. We have made an attempt to scan and publish all pertinent bid information. However, it is important to note that some pages were necessarily omitted.

If you would like to review the bid in its entirety, please contact the buyer. Thank you.



West Virginia Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority



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"Designing on the principles of the past and preserving for the future"



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Purchasing Division
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Re: Expression of Interest: Architectural/Engineering Services for Needs Assessment
for 55 Courthouses

Dear Madam or Sir,

On behalf of SMG, E.R. Robinson, and David Kemnitzer, the Mills Group is pleased to submit this expression of interest to offer our services to complete architectural/engineering services for the 55 courthouses throughout the state of West Virginia.

We at the Mills Group pride ourselves on our past experience with historic preservation and existing buildings which has included local, state and national projects. Our professional and academic qualifications meet and/or exceed the standards of 36 CFR 61 NPS. In addition, Mills Group architects also have experience in developing master plans, retrofitting buildings for ADA compliance and life/safety codes as well as the redevelopment of historic buildings. We have enclosed our resumes and sample project sheets to detail our experience working with historic structures and centers for justice.

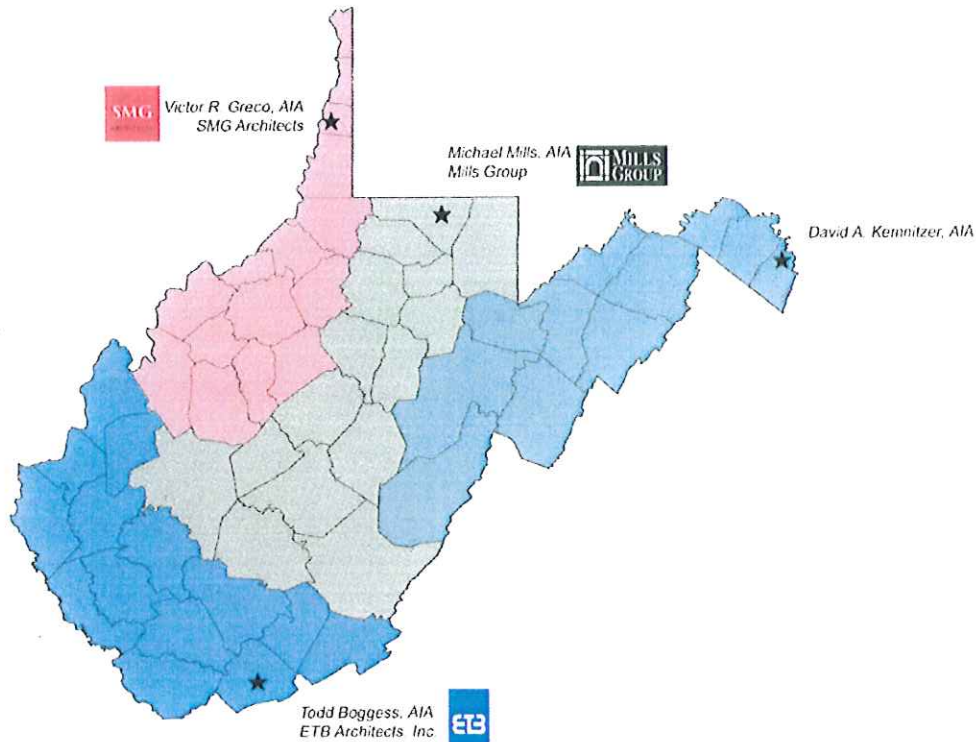
Because the scope of this proposal is both geographically and technically varied, the Mills Group has teamed up with architectural and engineering experts from throughout the state to meet the needs of the Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority (CFIA). These local, West Virginia-based businesses are able to quickly respond to the need of the CFIA and provide the necessary technical expertise specific to historic courthouse renovation.

In order to thoroughly respond to your needs, we also have teamed up with the following experts:

- **SMG**, a Wheeling-based architectural firm that specializes in historic preservation and adaptive reuse with current projects that include the Beverly Heritage Center and the B&O Railroad Museum Roundhouse.
- **E.T. Boggess, Architect, Inc.** from Princeton, West Virginia has a diverse portfolio which included educational and technological institutions and has recently completed work on the Mercer County Courthouse Annex.

- **David Kemnitzer, AIA** is an architect from the Eastern Panhandle specializing in historic restorations throughout the US and abroad. Mr. Kemnitzer has previously worked on the Jefferson County Courthouse Annex, Marion County Courthouse restoration and the new Robert C. Byrd Federal Courthouse in Beckley, WV.

This map represents the geographic coverage of our team:



The engineering and consulting aspects of the project would be provided by:

- **Allegheny Design Services**, a structural engineering firm that specializes in historic resources with an office in Morgantown. ADS has previously worked on the Pocahontas County Courthouse and Fairmont State University.
- **Miller Engineering**, a Morgantown-based MEP firm that has completed projects for the WV Capital Complex, WVU, multiple WV DNR properties, and the Met Theatre in Morgantown.
- **E.L. Robinson** is a Civil Engineering firm that conducted an inventory of the state courthouses in 2003 concentrating on site conditions, ADA accessibility, structural issues and fire safety codes.
- **Gerald Thacker**, who, while not a West Virginian, is a Courts Development Consultant that has experience assessing and developing court facilities throughout the United States and the world.
- **PEI Consulting** of Westerville, Ohio can provide efficient and accurate cost estimating for the projects.

Collectively, our team has provided services to every county and courthouse in the state. We are confident that our team has the knowledge and skills needed to successfully rehabilitate as well as plan for the future redevelopment of West Virginia's 55 courthouses. Please find resumes, project sheets and contact information for each member attached.

We look forward to working with you on this project. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 304-296-1010 or email me at mmills@millsgrouponline.com. Thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Mills" with the initials "AIM" written to the right of the name.

Michael Mills
Principal