

Questions and Answers to OCA/CP-180
Courtroom Restoration - Dutchess County Courthouse

Question # 1 - Who is responsible for removing and storage of all art work and framed portraits presently hanging in the courtroom?

Answer - The County

Question # 2 - Are vendors required to refinish the area behind the radiators?

Answer - Yes. The radiators will be turned off.

Question # 3 - Will there be any other trade work going on in the courtroom during the restoration?

Answer - No

Question # 4 - Will the room be closed?

Answer - Yes. Windows can be opened for ventilation.

Question # 5 - Will the adjoining rooms be in use during the restoration?

Answer - Yes.

Question # 6 - What are the hours of operation during which the work can be performed?

Answer - 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM with possible extension to 6:00 PM. There is no weekend accessibility to the courtroom.

Question # 7 - Who will determine that the work meets the standards of the court?

Answer - The Court Clerk will make decisions as to this work matching the quality of other refinished courtrooms.

Question # 8 -Is there a Conservator or Architect of Record to evaluate the work?

Answer - No.

Question # 9 - Is spraying permitted?

Answer - No. See pg. 10 - Project Specifications No.5 and No.6

Question # 10 - Is the carpeting to be removed?

Answer - No.

Question # 11 - When was the former restoration done?

Answer - The original construction and furniture was installed and completed between 1904 - 1906. The "pickled/green stain" was applied sometime between 1940 - 1950. Flooring was refinished within the past 15 years.

Question # 12 - Can the court provide a sample of the "Golden Oak"?

Answer - The courtrooms that were previously restored and part of the walk-through should serve as a sample for color and finish. (Continued on next page)

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Question # 13 - Can benches, tables and chairs be moved offsite for refinishing?

Answer - No. As per description of project, all work must be refinished on site. See pg 10 - Wood Furniture - Note.

Question # 14 - Can the lighting fixtures be removed?

Answer - No. All fixtures must be protected during the work. Vestigal wires can be removed and discarded.

Question # 15 - Is this a prevailing wage project?

Answer - Yes.

Question # 16 - Was the newly refinished courtrooms also previously refinished with the "pickled/green" finish?

Answer - No.

Question # 17 - Is the vendor required to post a bond up front?

Answer - No. The vendor is required to present proof of adequate insurance as specified in the RFP.

Question - # 18 - Will the vendor have access to the Robing Room for storage of equipment and supplies?

Answer - No. The Robing room will be used to store the removed artwork and portraits. It will be secured for the duration of the work.

Question # 19 - Will the courts provide a format for bid response.

Answer - See page 11 - Bid Response Format.

Question # 20 - Who is responsible for removal and reinstallation of the Courtroom benches, chairs and all similar items to conduct the floor refinishing?

Answer - The vendor.

Question # 21 - If the above is the vendor's responsibility, will the furniture be moved to the second floor hallway or another location?

Answer - No. The vendor must utilize the courtroom space as necessary to move furniture and restore as needed during the course of the job.

Question #22 - Is the project to be quoted on a square foot/linear foot or a hourly basis?

Answer - See Pg 10 - Flooring and Wood furniture.