

LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Notice to All Interested Parties

Proposed Availability of 2008 Competitive Grant Funds

The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) is providing notice of the proposed availability of competitive grant funds to provide civil legal services to eligible clients during calendar year 2008. In accordance with LSC's multi-year funding policy, grant applications will be accepted for only specified service areas. LSC published the service areas in competition for 2008 funding in the Federal Register and at www.ain.lsc.gov on April 13, 2007.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) is available at www.ain.lsc.gov. Once at the website, click on "Bulletin Board" to access the RFP and other important information pertaining to the LSC competitive grants process.

Pursuant to the LSC regulation governing the competitive grants process (45 C.F.R. 1634), a Notice of Intent to Compete (NIC) must be filed. Applicants must file the NIC by May 21, 2007, 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. The due date for filing grant proposals is June 14, 2007, 5:00 p.m. E.D.T.

The following persons, groups, and entities are qualified applicants who may submit a NIC and an application to participate in the competitive grants process: 1) current LSC recipients; 2) nonprofit organizations that have as a purpose the furnishing of legal assistance to eligible clients; 3) private attorneys, groups of private attorneys or law firms; 4) state or local governments; and 5) substate regional planning and coordination agencies.

LSC has established a service desk to respond to applicant inquiries regarding the competitive grants process. Please submit inquiries to the competition service desk by e-mail to competition@lsc.gov.

LSC will hold an Applicant Informational Session on Wednesday, May 16, 2007, 2:00 p.m. E.D.T. This is a free telephonic conference sponsored by LSC to assist applicants in preparing the competitive grant application and to promote participation in the competitive grants process. Visit www.ain.lsc.gov for registration materials and information regarding this free telephonic conference or contact the competition service desk.

Please visit <u>www.ain.lsc.gov</u> regularly to remain current about the 2008 grants competition. Contact the competition service desk at <u>competition@lsc.gov</u> if you have any questions regarding this matter.

¹ Applicants competing for service area VA-20 in Virginia must file the NIC by July 2, 2007, 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. The due date for filing grant proposals for service area VA-20 in Virginia is September 3, 2007, 5:00 p.m. E.D.T.