BID OPENING: April 16, 2012.

BIDS SHALL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AT 11:00 A.M., PREVAILING EST.

ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE AWARD CONCERNING THESE SPECIFICATIONS CALL RICHARD GILBERT (757) 873-2807. AFTER AWARD, REFER ALL QUESTIONS TO YOUR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR WHOSE NAME APPEARS IN THE UPPER PORTION OF THE PURCHASE ORDER. NO COLLECT CALLS.

FACSIMILE BID SPECIFICATIONS
U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO)
11836 Canon Blvd, Suite 400
Hampton Regional Printing Procurement Office
Newport News, Virginia 23606

GPO CONTRACT TERMS: Any contract which results from this Invitation for Bid will be subject to the applicable provisions, clauses, and supplemental specifications of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 6-01)) and GPO Contract Terms, Quality Assurance through Attributes Program for Printing and Binding (GPO Publication 310.1, effective May 1979 (Rev. 8-02)).

GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2) – http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/sfas/terms.pdf.

GPO QATAP (GPO Publication 310.1) – http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/sfas/qatap.pdf.

DISPUTES: GPO Publication 310.2, GPO Contract Terms, Contract Clause 5. Disputes, is hereby replaced with the June 2008 clause found at www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/contractdisputes.pdf. This June 2008 clause also cancels and supersedes any other disputes language currently included in existing contractual actions.
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SPECIFICATIONS APPLY EQUALLY TO BOTH ITEMS UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE SPECIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN REVISED: THE RESTRICTED PRODUCTION RADIUS HAS BEEN REMOVED AND THE STOCK FOR THE DIVIDERS HAS BEEN ADDED TO STOCK/PAPER.

PRODUCT: 980-page plastic spiral bound (Item 1) and perfect bound (Item 2) books.

TITLE: Manual for Court Martial (Misc Pub 27-7), United States (2012 Edition).

QUANTITY: 32,400 (22,700 spiral bound and 9,700 perfect bound)

PAGES: Item 1: 980-pages PLUS separate two-piece cover.
Item 2: 980-pages PLUS separate wraparound cover.

TRIM: Text pages and covers: 7-3/4 x 9-3/4"; Tabs are 8-1/4 x 9-3/4" including the ½" tab extension

GOVERNMENT TO FURNISH: Contractor will contact Richard Sowell to arrange for file pick-up. Files will be supplied as PDF's on CD. One previously produced sample will be supplied. Use this sample as an exact match for color, construction, and stock.

CONTRACTOR TO FURNISH: All materials and operations, other than those listed under "Government to Furnish," necessary to produce the product in accordance with these specifications.

ELECTRONIC PREPRESS: Prior to image processing, the contractor shall perform an extensive check

(preflight) of the furnished media and publishing files to assure correct output of the required reproduction image. Any errors, media damage, or data corruption that might interfere with proper file image processing must be reported to the Technical Contact on the Desktop Publishing Form, GPO 952.
The contractor shall create or any necessary trapping, set proper screen angles and screen frequency, and define file output selection for the imaging device being utilized. Furnished files must be imaged as necessary to meet the assigned quality level.

Identification markings, including GPO imprint carried on copy or films must not print on finished product.

PROOFS: Proof is requested for Cover 1 only.
Contractor must supply a proof sign-off sheet and return airbill. Also please include a reminder that the agency can only keep proofs 2 days.

One (1) digital color content proof for Cover 1. At contractor's option, a film-based composite blueline may be submitted. Direct to plate must be used to produce the final product with a minimum resolution of 2400 x 2400 dpi. Proofs must be created using the same Raster Image Processor (RIP) that will be used to produce the product. Proofs shall be collated with all elements in proper position (not pasted up), imaged face and back, trimmed and folded to the finished size of the product, as applicable.

-AND-

One (1) digital one-piece composite laminated color proofs on the actual production stock (Kodak Approval, Screen TrueRite, Polaroid PolaProof, Latran Prediction, CreoSpectrum, or Fuji Final Proof) with a minimum resolution of 2400 x 2400 dpi. Proofs must show dot structure and be in press configuration. Direct to plate must be used to produce the final product.

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In lieu of digital one-piece laminated proofs, at contractor's option, one (1) set of inkjet proofs that are G7 profiled and use pigment-based inks may be submitted. A proofing RIP that provides option for high quality color matching such as Device Links Technology and/or ICC Profiles Technology, and meets or exceeds industry tolerance to ISO 12647-2 standard for Graphic Technology (as of 3/19/09 and future amendments) must be utilized. Output must be a minimum of 720 x 720 dpi on a GRACoL or SWOP certified proofing media. Proofs must contain one of the following color control strips to be evaluated for accuracy: IDEAlliance ISO 12647-7 (2007 or later) Wedge or P2P25 Target.

Proofs must contain color control bars for each color of ink on the sheet. Control bars must be placed parallel to the press's ink rollers. The control bars (such as Brunner, GATF, GRETAG, or RIT) must show areas consisting of minimum 1/8" x 1/8" solid color patches; tint patches of 25, 50 and 75%; dot gain scale; and gray balance patches for process color (if applicable). These areas must be repeated consecutively across the sheet. The make and model number of the proofing system utilized shall be furnished with the proofs. These proofs must contain all elements and indicate margins. Proofs will be used for color match on press.

Contractor to submit ink draw downs on actual production stock of Pantone color(s) used to produce the product. Half of draw down must show varnish or coating.

Deliver proofs and ink draw downs together with the furnished media (copy and electronic files) directly to: Army Publishing Directorate, 9351 Hall Rd., Bldg. 1456, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-5447, Attn: Richard Sowell (703) 693-1442.

Contractor must call GPO Contract Compliance Section at 757-873-2800, or email information to compliance@gpo.gov immediately upon sending/delivering proofs and immediately upon notification that the proofs are available for pickup at the department. Proofs will be withheld not more than 2 workdays from receipt in the department to when they are made available for pickup at the department.

The contractor must not print prior to receipt of an "OK to print."

STOCK/PAPER: The specifications of all paper furnished must be in accordance with those listed herein or listed for the corresponding JCP Code numbers in the "Government Paper Specification Standards No. 12" dated March 2011.

Government Paper Specification Standards No. 12 –
http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/customers/sfas/vol12/vol_12.pdf.

All text paper used in each copy must be of a uniform shade.

TEXT: JCP Code* A60, Offset Book, Basis Size 25 X 38", Basis Weight 50 lbs.
COVER: JCP Code* O90, Printable Plastic Film (Synthetic Paper), Basis Size 25 X 38",13.8pt.
DIVIDERS: JCP Code* K10, Index, White , Basis Size 25.5 X 30.5", Basis Weight 110#

PRINTING: Covers: Item 1: Covers 1 and 4 print full coverage all sides bleed with type, line, and illustration matter in builds of the four process inks plus an additional 5th color of Pantone 490C Maroon with an overprint of black ink (DOD seal). Covers 2 and 3 are blank. Apply a flood aqueous to the entire surface of Covers 1 and 4.

Item 2: Covers 1, 4 and Spine print full coverage all sides bleed with type, line, and illustration matter in builds of the four process inks plus an additional 5th color of Pantone 490C Maroon with an overprint of black ink (DOD seal). Covers 2 and 3 are blank. Apply a flood aqueous to the entire surface of Covers 1 and 4.
Note: Furnished files are created in four-color process, however, contractor to create 5th color of Maroon-Pantone 490C with black overprint.

Text prints head to head with type and line matter in Black ink only and is circle folioed 1 through 980 with 15 blank pages scattered throughout (Note: thin underlines print Part IV to end, match quality of previous printed sample).

Tabs dividers print face and back (head to outside) on tab only, with type matter in Black ink only. Tab dividers to be inserted within text as follows:
Tab 1 - labeled as "Part II - R.C.M." in Green mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers 1-2 and II-1.
Tab 2 - labeled as "Part III - M.R.E" in Yellow mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers II-184 and III-1.
Tab 3 - labeled as "Part IV - Punitive Articles" in Blue mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers III-46(blank) and IV-1.
Tab 4 - labeled as "U.C.M.J." in Blue mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers A1-8 and A2-1.
Tab 5 - labeled as "Maximum Punishment" in Blue mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers A1 1-2 and A12-1.
Tab 6 - labeled as "Analysis of R.C.M." in Red mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers A20-2 and A21-1.
Tab 7 - labeled as "Analysis of M.R.E." in Red mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers A21-98 and A22-1.
Tab 8 - labeled as "Analysis of Punitive Articles" in Red mylar or equal, inserted between page numbers A22-62 and A23-1.
Follow previous printed sample for placement of tabs.

LAMINATION: Tabs must be reinforced by the lamination method of a single thickness of colored plastic (red, green, yellow, and blue as per furnished instructions), cellulose acetate, polyethylene terephthalate, or equal material, securely bonded to each side of the divider, which shall lap over at least 3/8" onto the base sheet and extend at least 3/8" beyond the tab end. The outer edge of the tab must be smooth.

BINDING: BINDERY INSPECTION: Call Richard Sowell (703) 693-1442, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., prevailing eastern time, with 24 hours notice.

All binding operations to be inspected at contractor's plant for conformance with specifications.

Item 1: plastic spiral bound books: Drill/punch Covers and Text suitably on the 11” left and Spiral bind with black plastic element of suitable size and capacity.

Item 2: Notch bound books: Notch bind text and tab dividers on the left 9-3/4" dimension with glue on wraparound cover with notch perforations. The glue used MUST be POLYURETHANE ROSIN GLUE - no other glue will be accepted. Score the front and back covers along the entire left 9-3/4" dimension at a minimum of 3/16" from the bind. Slit perforations are not permitted or accepted. Covers 2 and 3 should be cleared of ink and aqueous between the scores.

TAB DIVIDER CONSTRUCTION: Lip - 1/2", 1/8th cut; Round corners on lips. Score each tab divider along the entire 9-3/4" dimension at 1-1/2" from outside edge and deliver publications with all tab dividers folded inside of publication along the score. Tabs 1 thru 8 -- One full bank of 8 tabs. See "DESCRIPTION" herein for proper placement of tab dividers within the text.

INK: Covers and Spine - CMYK, plus PMS 490 (ink drawdown is required), Text – black.

MARGINS: Covers have inadequate gripper margins; bleed uncommon on all sides. Adequate margins for all text and tab divider pages. Note: Text Pages are off center staggered to the outside margin by request of the customer. Contractor to determine spine thickness and adjust backstrip, if necessary. Type must center on width of spine.

PACKING: Pack in suitable cartons, not to exceed 45 lbs. Must be 275 psi bursting strength. Reminder: Tab dividers must be folded inside of publication prior to shipping. For Item 1, pack suitably to prevent entanglement of binding elements.

LABELING AND MARKING (Package and/or Container label): Each package or carton must be labeled. The label MUST indicate Title and number of books in each box.

QUALITY ASSURANCE LEVELS AND STANDARDS: The following levels and standards shall apply to these specifications:

Product Quality Levels:

(a) Printing (page related) Attributes -- Level II.
(b) Finishing (item related) Attributes -- Level II.

Inspection Levels (fromANSI/ASQC 21.4):
(a) Non-destructive Tests - General Inspection Level I.
(b) Destructive Tests - Special Inspection Level S-2.

Specified Standards: The specified standards for the attributes requiring them shall be:

Attribute	Specified Standard
P-7. Type Quality and Uniformity	Electronic media, furnished sample.
P-9 Solid and Screen Tint Color Match	Pantone Matching System
P-10 Process Color Match	Approved Proofs, Electronic media

QUALITY ASSURANCE RANDOM COPIES: In addition to the Departmental Random Copies (Blue Label), the contractor may be required to submit quality assurance random copies to test for compliance against specifications. The purchase order/specifications will indicate the number required, if any. When ordered, the contractor must divide the entire order into equal sublots and select a copy from a different general area of each sublot. The contractor will be required to execute a statement furnished by GPO certifying that copies were selected as directed. Copies will be paid for at the running rate offered in the contractor's bid and their cost will not be a consideration for award. A copy of the purchase order/specifications must be included.

Business Reply Mail labels will be furnished for mailing the quality assurance random copies. The copies are to be mailed at the same time as the first scheduled shipment. A U.S. Postal Service approved Certificate of Mailing, identified by Jacket and Purchase Order numbers, must be furnished with billing as evidence of mailing.

DISTRIBUTION: Delivery by May 7, 2012:
F.O.B. DESTINATION – CONTRACTOR PAYS THE FREIGHT TO DELIVER.
Proofs, GFM, and 25 copies to:
Army Publishing Directorate
9351 Hall Rd., Bldg. 1456
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-5447
Attn: Richard Sowell 703-693-1442
(The number of perfect bound and spiral bound to this address to be determined)

Deliver 13,850 spiral, and 800 perfect to:
Media Distribution Division
Directorate of Logistics
1655 Woodson Road
St. Louis, MO 63114-6181
(Receiving Dock Closes at 2:00 PM Local Time!)

Deliver 250 Spiral and 50 Perfect bound to:
Office of the Judge Advocate General
2200 Army Pentagon
Washington, DC 20310
ATTN: Criminal Law Division

Deliver 300 Spiral and 50 Perfect bound to:
United States Army Legal Services Agency
9275 Gunston Road
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060
ATTN: Administration Division

Deliver 600 Spiral and 100 Perfect bound to :
The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School
600 Massie Road
Charlottsville, VA 22903
ATTN: Criminal Law Division

Deliver 200 Perfect bound copies to:
U.S. Coast Guard Academy
Humanities Department
c/o CDR Russell Bowman
15 Mohegan Avenue
New London, CT 06320

Deliver 60 Perfect bound copies to:
Naval Justice School
c/o Coast Guard Liaison Officer
360 Elliot Street
Newport, RI 02841-5042

Deliver 440 Perfect bound and 300 Spiral bound to:
Office of Military Justice (CG-0946)
c/o CWO Tarvin Greene
2100 Second Street SW
Stop 7121
Washington, DC 20593-7151

Deliver 4,500 Spiral and 500 Perfect bound to:
Commanding General Code 834
Warehouse Bldg. 1220 MF Pubs
Marine Corps Logistics Base
814 Radford Blvd., Ste. 20250
Albany, NY 31704-0250

The distribution for the remaining 10,400 (includes 200 Departmental Random Blue Label copies for Item 1 and 50 Departmental random Blue Label copies for Item 2) cannot be determined at this time. These shipments will be handled as F.O.B. Contractor City, reimbursable shipping. This will entail individual USPS shipments up to freight deliveries on pallets. Contractor will be reimbursed for postage shipments by submitting a properly completed postal service form (or equivalent), and the freight or carrier's invoice as applicable, with the voucher for billing.

Note on "Blue Label Copies"--A copy of the Government-furnished certificate (GPO Form 917) must accompany the voucher sent to GPO, Financial Management Service, for payment. Failure to furnish the certificate may result in delay in processing the voucher.

NOTIFICATION OF SHIPMENT: Immediately after the order has shipped/delivered, the contractor must furnish shipping information to DLA. Email to Richard.j.sowell2.civ@mail.mil Include the order title, GPO jacket number, date of shipment/delivery and tracking information for deliveries.

SCHEDULE: Purchase Order and furnished material will be available for pickup at the Government Printing Office, Hampton RPPO, 11836 Canon Blvd., Suite 400, Newport News, VA 23606 NLT April 17, 2012.

Submit proofs as soon as the contractor deems necessary in order to comply with the shipping schedule. Proofs will be withheld two (2) workdays from receipt in the GPO until they are made available for pickup by the contractor.

For bindery inspection, call Richard Sowell (703) 693-1442, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., prevailing eastern time, with 24 hours notice.

Deliver complete MUST arrive at destinations on or before May 7, 2012.

Unscheduled material such as shipping documents, receipts or instructions, delivery lists, labels, etc., will be furnished with the order or shortly thereafter. In the event such information is not received in due time, the contractor will not be relieved of any responsibility in meeting the shipping schedule because of failure to request such information.

OFFERS: Offers must include the cost of all materials and operations for the total quantity ordered in accordance with these specifications. In addition, a price must be submitted for each additional 1,000's. The price for additional quantities must be based on a continuing run, exclusive of all basic or preliminary charges and will not be a factor for determination of award.

BID SUBMISSION: Using GPO Form 910, submit bids to the U.S. Government Printing Office, Bid Section, 11836 Canon Blvd., Suite 400, Newport News VA 23606. **Facsimile bids in response to this solicitation are permitted.** Facsimile bids may be submitted directly to the GPO Bid Section, FAX No. 757-873-2805, one bid per facsimile. The Jacket number and bid opening date must be specified with the bid. Refer to Facsimile Bids in Solicitation Provisions of GPO Contract Terms, GPO Publication 310.2, Revised June 2001.