Press Release

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The County of Alpena is seeking attorneys/law firms interested in contracting with the County for Legal Representation for persons requiring representation and having been found to be indigent in the Family Division of the Circuit and Probate Courts relating to the following matters:

- neglect and abuse petitions
- guardian ad litem for minors in proceedings
- mental illness, guardianship, legal incapacity, and conservatorship proceedings

Anyone interested in being considered for a contract must be able to provide the following:

- 1. Assure they are competent to perform their required duties.
- 2. Assure that they are members in good standing with the State Bar of Michigan.
- 3. Provide competent and efficient legal representation of the person to whom they are appointed.
- 4. Assure that they complete all duties in accordance with the Court Rules of the State of Michigan and the Rules of Professional Conduct.
- 5. Assure that they are punctual for all Court appearances.

Contracts will be based upon a flat fee for all appointments with certain extraordinary expenses covered by County (e.g. expert witnesses, psychiatric examinations) upon approval by the Court. The start of services will be January 1, 2024.

All persons interested should submit a cover letter, resume and at least two (2) professional references to the County of Alpena, Attn: Jennifer Mathis, by the close of business on Friday, November 3, 2023.