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NEWS RELEASE

Jacksonville's design competition for the new County Courthouse Complex is underway this week with four architectural firms unveiling their designs, the Professional Services Evaluation Committee ranking the designs and Mayor John Delaney announcing a winner. The new complex will cover several blocks just west of the new Federal Courthouse and will become part of a comprehensive judicial campus. The new facility is expected to be dedicated in 2005. Funding for the project is provided by The Better Jacksonville Plan.

Tomorrow, the four designers will present their designs to the Competition Advisory Committee and the Professional Services Evaluation Committee in the Grand Banquet Hall of the University Center at the University of North Florida. Each group will have an hour and a half to present designs, floor plans, models, sketches, and renderings outlining their vision for the new County Courthouse Complex. The presentations, which are open to the public, are scheduled as follows:

- 9:00 - 10:30 AM** Presentation by New York-based Cannon Design. The firm has a regional office in Jacksonville and designed the Los Angeles County Juvenile Hall, Maricopa County Juvenile Courts and Detention facility (AZ), Los Angeles Municipal Court, and Southwest County Justice Center (CA).
- 11:00 - 12:30 PM** Presentation by Jacksonville-based KBJ Architects, Inc. teamed with San Francisco-based Kaplan McLaughlin Diaz. KBJ Architects, Inc. designed the US Courthouses in Pensacola, Jacksonville, and Ft. Lauderdale, as well as the State District Court of Appeals in Tallahassee. Kaplan McLaughlin Diaz designed the State Supreme Court in Des Moines, Iowa.
- 1:30 - 3:00 PM** Presentation by Jacksonville-based Rink Reynolds Diamond Fisher Wilson teamed with Jacksonville-based Reynolds, Smith and Hills, Inc. and Orlando-based DLR Group. Rink Reynolds Diamond Fischer Wilson designed the

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Alachua County Courthouse (FL), Pasco County Courthouse (FL), and Baker County Courthouse (FL). DLR Group designed the US Federal Courthouses in Omaha, FL and St Paul, MN.

3:30 - 5:00 PM

Presentation by Miami-based Spillis Candela & Partners teamed with Jacksonville-based Smith McCary Architects and London-based Porphyrios Associates. Spillis Candela and Partners designed the Nassau County Judicial Complex, St. Johns County Judicial Complex, Michigan Supreme Court in Lansing, MI and the US Courthouse in Ft. Myers, FL.

Citizens who are interested in seeing the designs may also check The Better Jacksonville Plan web site at www.betterjax.com beginning Wednesday morning.

On Wednesday, June 26, the Competition Advisory Committee and the Professional Services Evaluation Committee (PSEC) will meet to discuss the presentations. By city ordinance, PSEC must rank the top three design professionals. PSEC is expected to deliver their decision to the Mayor for his approval by the end of the day Wednesday.

On Thursday and Friday of this week, renderings, models, floor plans and sketches will be on display in the Renaissance Room of City Hall for public viewing. The public is invited to the St. James Building during regular business hours to get a first-hand look at the designs.

On Thursday, June 27 at 1:30 p.m., Mayor Delaney will announce the winner of the design competition at a news conference in the Renaissance Room of City Hall.

For more information, call Heather Surface at 630-7377.