

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

FOR BOND & ISSUER'S COUNSEL SERVICES

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INTRODUCTION

Invest Atlanta (the “Authority”) acting through its General Counsel (“General Counsel”) is soliciting responses to this Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) from interested and qualified law firms (each, a “Respondent”) to provide bond and issuer’s counsel services. Invest Atlanta has been created and is existing under and by virtue of the Development Authorities Law, activated by a resolution of the City Council of the City of Atlanta, Georgia (the “City”) and currently operates as a public body corporate and politic of the State of Georgia. Invest Atlanta, consisting of the Atlanta Development Authority (“ADA”), Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), Urban Residential Finance Authority (“URFA”), and the Atlanta Urban Redevelopment Agency (“AURA”), was created to promote the revitalization and growth of the City and serves as the City’s Economic Development Agency. Invest Atlanta represents a consolidation of the City’s economic and community development efforts in real estate, finance, marketing and employment, for the purpose of providing a focal point for improving the City’s neighborhoods and the quality of life for all its citizens. Invest Atlanta is the cornerstone of an overall effort to provide economic and development services in a more effective and efficient manner.

Qualifications submitted in response to this RFQ will be evaluated by the General Counsel of Invest Atlanta and designees of the General Counsel. Invest Atlanta reserves the right, where it may serve its best interest, to request additional information or clarification from Respondents, or to allow for corrections, errors or omissions. All responses submitted in response to this RFQ, and all other information submitted in response to a request for additional information, become and remain the property of Invest Atlanta. Submission of a Response indicates acceptance by the Respondent of the conditions contained in this RFQ.

Invest Atlanta will not, for any reason, reimburse the Respondent for costs and expenses in connection with responding to this RFQ.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this RFQ is to invite Respondents to submit Responses, in the form and manner described herein, to establish a general pool of qualified law firms that are eligible to serve as approved Bond and/or Issuer’s Counsel in the Invest Atlanta Bond Counsel Pool (the “Bond Counsel Pool”), from time to time and as requested.

Responses received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed to determine whether the “Minimum Qualifications” as defined herein have been satisfied. Respondents meeting the Minimum Qualifications will be included in the general Bond Counsel Pool.

Inclusion in the general Bond Counsel Pool commences on the date the parties fully execute an engagement letter. **Please note, however, that inclusion in the general Bond Counsel Pool does not provide assurance that a Respondent will receive an appointment to any transaction.** Any Respondent selected for inclusion in the general Bond Counsel Pool may, at any time, be selected to provide specific counsel to a particular Invest Atlanta entity based on specific need, capacity, qualification or such other circumstances as the General Counsel shall determine. Nothing herein shall in any way be deemed to limit the discretion of the General Counsel to make such appointments to serve the needs of the Authority as deemed appropriate.

Respondents should specify in their submittal the Authority/Agency it desires to provide services. Invest Atlanta is comprised of separate entities, each of which is empowered to undertake different projects for the following specific purposes:

The Atlanta Development Authority d/b/a Invest Atlanta (“Invest Atlanta”) has been duly created and is existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Georgia (the “State”), in particular, the Development Authorities Law of the State (O.C.G.A. §36-62-1 *et seq.*, as amended) and an activating resolution of the City, duly adopted on February 17, 1997, and approved by the Mayor of the City on February 20, 1997, and is now existing and operating as a public body corporate and politic of the State. Invest Atlanta was created to function in the City for the purpose of fostering and implementing economic development and neighborhood redevelopment and revitalization. Invest Atlanta is responsible for issuing conduit bonds and the lease purchase bond tax incentive.

Urban Residential Finance Authority of the City of Atlanta, Georgia (“URFA”) has been duly created and organized pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Residential Finance Authorities Act for Large Municipalities, Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Section 36-41-1, *et seq.*, as amended (the “URFA Act”), and an activating resolution of the City, duly adopted on May 15, 1979, and is now existing and operating as a public body corporate and politic . Pursuant to the laws of the State, particularly the URFA Act, URFA is responsible for issuing revenue bonds to finance the acquisition, rehabilitation and equipping of multifamily housing and single-family housing located in the City.

Downtown Development Authority of the City of Atlanta (“DDA”) has been created and is existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Georgia (the “State”), in particular, the Downtown Development Authorities Law (O.C.G.A. §36-42-1, *et seq.*, as amended) and an activating resolution of the City, duly adopted on March 2, 1982, and approved

by the Mayor of the City on March 9, 1982, and is now existing and operating as a public body corporate and politic of the State. Pursuant to the laws of the State, particularly the Development Authorities Law, DDA was created for the purpose of promotion of trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities within the central business district for any commercial, business, parking, public or other uses. DDA is responsible for issuing conduit bonds to finance the construction of development projects.

Atlanta Urban Redevelopment Agency (“AURA”) has been duly created and is existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the State, in particular, the Urban Redevelopment Law (O.C.G.A. § 36-61-1 *et seq.*, as amended) (the “Act”) and an activating resolution of the City duly adopted on July 6, 2010, and approved by the Mayor of the City on July 14, 2010 (the “Activating Resolution”), and is now existing and operating as a public body corporate and politic of the State. AURA has the power to provide for “urban redevelopment projects” to include “undertakings or activities” of a municipality located within an urban redevelopment area for the elimination/prevention of blight, redevelopment, rehabilitation or conservation in an urban redevelopment area and the implementation of public improvements, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of real property and rehabilitation or demolition of buildings and improvements thereon to eliminate unhealthy, unsanitary or unsafe conditions, to lessen or increase density, to reduce traffic hazards or to eliminate obsolete or other uses detrimental to the public welfare, and the installation, construction or reconstruction of utilities and other improvements necessary for carrying out the purposes of the Urban Redevelopment Law. AURA is responsible for issuing conduit bonds to finance capital improvements within the boundaries of the urban redevelopment area as designated by the City.

The RFQ process and the approved Bond Counsel Pool will remain in effect at the discretion of the General Counsel. Invest Atlanta may determine, at any time, to amend, modify, or discontinue this RFQ and the process described herein at any time. It is currently expected that Bond Counsel for each specific transaction (or series of like transactions) will be selected from the approved Bond Counsel Pool; however, this may change at any time, without notice in the discretion of the General Counsel.

Any information provided in response to this RFQ may be considered (but is not required to be considered) in making appointments of outside counsel to serve in capacities other than as bond counsel. Accordingly, Invest Atlanta appointments of outside counsel to serve in capacities other than as bond counsel may or may not be made from the approved Bond Counsel Pool. Invest Atlanta reserves the right to make counsel appointments with regard to special tax counsel, special disclosure counsel, general agency or issuer counsel, or such other appointments as may be deemed necessary or desirable, in the sole judgment of the Authority, for all other aspects of, or roles within, a public financing transaction.

Invest Atlanta accepts no liability under any circumstances for any costs or expenses incurred by Respondents in acquiring, clarifying, or responding to any part of this RFQ, including, without limitation, meetings that the Respondent is required to attend. Each Respondent that participates in this procurement process does so at its own expense and risk and agrees that Invest Atlanta is not obligated to reimburse any costs incurred during this process.

The receipt of Responses to this RFQ by Invest Atlanta shall not bind or obligate the Authority in any manner unless and until the Authority awards a formal Agreement.

INQUIRIES AND PROCESS TIMELINE

Only inquiries received electronically will receive a response. Do not contact any Invest Atlanta staff with any questions or comments pertaining to this RFQ. All such inquiries must be delivered by 5:00 p.m., February 23, 2024. **Inquiries received after such date and time will not receive a response.** Invest Atlanta will publish all timely received written inquiries and Invest Atlanta’s responses to those inquiries as an Addendum to this RFQ on Invest Atlanta’s website (www.investatlanta.com) on or before the close of business on March 4, 2024.

| Due Date | Action Required |
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| February 1, 2024 | Release of RFQ |
| February 23, 2024 | Inquiries regarding RFQ due |
| March 4, 2024 | Responses to Law Firm(s) inquiries posted on Invest Atlanta website |
| March 22, 2024 | Responses due to Invest Atlanta |
| April 12, 2024 | Anticipated notification of selected respondents |

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Responses to this Request for Qualifications must be submitted in electronic Portable Document Format (PDF) no later than 5:00 p.m., EST, March 22, 2024. Responses should include all identified components. Responses received after the deadline time and date will not be considered.

All responses to this RFQ (each, a “Response”) should be submitted via email to bondcounselrfq@investatlanta.com; no later than 5:00 p.m., March 22, 2024. Responses received after this time and date will not be considered. Please address the Response(s) to:

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SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Respondent (s) will be subject to supervision and direction set by the General Counsel and other persons designated by the General Counsel. The Services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Serving as bond and issuer's counsel for individual issuances as assigned by the General Counsel;
2. Advising General Counsel, both orally and in writing, concerning the following: the suitability of the bond transaction ("Issuance") for effectively accomplishing Invest Atlanta's objectives; the legality of the Issuance, evaluating its compliance, in substance and procedure, with applicable laws, including but not limited to federal securities laws and regulations, and federal and state tax laws and regulations; and other issues related to the Issuance as may be requested from time to time by the General Counsel;
3. Advising General Counsel on legal procedures and practices in the bond market for the Issuance, including advice on the structuring of the Issuance;
4. Preparing or assisting in the preparation of any document related to the Issuance as deemed necessary and/or as requested by the General Counsel, including but not limited to a bond authorization, bond resolution, indenture, prospectus, preliminary official statement, official statement; limited offering memoranda; and/or bond purchase agreement;
5. Issuing legal opinions, including opinions on the due authorization, tax status and the binding effect of the Issuance and on the lawful use of the proceeds of the Issuance, as may be required by the bond market or as requested by the General Counsel;
6. Performing all litigation services related to the judicial validation of the Issuance, including, but not limited to the following: preparation and filing of pleadings, briefs, and other documents related to the validation; providing any and all support for any intervention related to the Issuance, if applicable; including, but not limited to, hearings, trials, and appeals;
7. Briefing the General Counsel, Board of Directors, President & CEO and other persons designated by the General Counsel, regularly and upon request, concerning structuring of the Issuance, documents and other matters related to the Issuance; and

8. Providing such other legal services related to the Issuance as may be necessary or required and as may be requested from time to time by the General Counsel.

The Respondent(s) must perform all of the Services in a manner consistent with the highest generally accepted level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by professionals performing services of a similar nature, taking into account standards, state-of-the-art and governmental requirements existing at the time the Services are performed.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Respondent law firms must identify a lead attorney for this engagement who must have a minimum of ten (10) years of municipal finance experience serving as bond counsel or issuer's counsel with respect to public finance transactions.

Respondent law firms must be listed in the "Municipal Bond Attorneys" section of the most recent edition of *The Bond Buyers Municipal Marketplace (the "Red Book")*.

Respondents must have and will maintain in full force and effect, during the duration of it participating in the Bond Counsel Pool, professional liability insurance through an AA Best-Rated (or the equivalent) insurance carrier in an aggregate reasonable amount, appropriately based upon firm size, and in accordance with the scope of advice provided to the Authority. The professional liability insurance will include coverage for practice in the field of federal and state securities and tax law.

SCOPE OF PROPOSAL AND EVALUATION METRICS

All Responses shall be submitted electronically and signed by Respondent's authorized representative(s). All Responses must be regular in every respect and no interlineations, excisions or special conditions shall be made or included in the Qualifications by the Respondents.

Respondents will be evaluated in accordance with the requirements listed below. It is imperative that Responses contain all information requested. In order to be deemed responsive for evaluation under this RFQ, submissions are limited to 30 pages, inclusive of all submission requirements, narratives, and addenda.

Responses submitted to this RFQ must include the following information outlined below in the following order:

Section I- Cover Letter

- Must be prepared on the letterhead of the lead team member within the Respondent's team and signed by a representative who is authorized to enter into an Agreement with Invest Atlanta on the Respondent's behalf.
- In a narrative statement, confirm that the Law Firm is listed in the "Municipal Bond Attorneys" section of the most recent edition of *The Bond Buyers Municipal Marketplace*.
- Must be executed by a partner within the firm or an individual that has been granted contracting authority by the firm pursuant to its Bylaws, Partnership Agreement or other appropriate documentation.
- Respondents desiring to participate in the Bond Counsel Pool must designate, within their response, one or more of the subject matter areas below for consideration:
 1. URFA – Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds and Intergovernmental Agreement Bonds
 2. ADA – Lease Purchase Bonds
 3. ADA/DDA/AURA – Conduit Bonds and Intergovernmental Agreement Bonds

Section II –Firm Information (25 points)

- A firm resume including history of the firm, number of years in business and the size of the firm. Identify the headquarters, the nearest office and the office which will serve as the managing office for the Services.
- A statement of previous experience in serving as counsel in connection with any transactions similar to the Issuance; a statement of prior experience in connection with any prior Invest Atlanta, City of Atlanta or other government transactions.
- Describe the Law Firm and its capabilities, including the size of its municipal bond practice group and the availability of specific advice or expertise within the current law firm roster on questions relating to arbitrage, securities law, municipal finance, tax law, disclosure requirements and the federal or state tax-exempt status of bonds. Please also include descriptions of any specific Law Firm experience as bond counsel or issuer's counsel for the types of issuances described on pages 3–4.
- Biographies, including experience, of the proposed team of partners, associates and paralegals who would participate in the legal work necessary for the closing of the Issuance and the provision of Services. Describe the qualifications and experience of all attorneys

within the Law Firm who are expected to work as part of the bond counsel team. Include the qualifications and experiences of the Law Firm's tax counsel and disclosure counsel. Provide resumes of each bond counsel team member. Confirm that at least one member of the Law Firm's bond counsel team is a member in good standing of the State Bar of Georgia. Provide acknowledgement that senior personnel will be committed to Invest Atlanta transactions. Describe the anticipated division of duties among partners, associates, and paralegals. If any additional lawyers within the Law Firm may be available for consultation, even though they are not assigned to work with the bond counsel team, identify them and their specialized expertise.

- A statement regarding the law firm's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion programming and how it is implemented within the firm. Respondent should describe the demographic composition of your firm's workforce including all professional staff. *(Please note that the data requested in the Diversity and Equity Certification form, attached as **Exhibit A**, does not meet the requirement for this subsection).*
- A statement of assurance that there are no known conflicts of interest that would prohibit the Respondent from entering into a contract with Invest Atlanta for the provision of the Services. In addition, provide a statement of commitment to disclose future actual or potential conflicts of interest. Please identify how any such future conflicts would be identified and how the Respondent would resolve any such conflicts.
- A statement of assurance that at least one member of the Respondent's proposed team is currently licensed to provide legal services within the State and that neither the Respondent nor any partner is currently suspended or debarred from providing legal services within the State.
- A statement of assurance that the Respondent has the necessary equity and financing required to serve as bond counsel. Please include any current or past defaults, tax or property liens, past or present lawsuits of Respondent or a member of the Respondent's proposed team, which may have an impact on Respondent's ability to serve as counsel.
- Provide detailed descriptions of: (a) any litigation or administrative proceeding in which the Respondent was a party in any matter related to the professional activities as bond counsel of the Respondent during the five (5) years prior to the date of this RFQ; (b) any pending litigation, investigation, or proceeding in which a court or administrative agency is addressing a question relating to the professional activities of the Respondent; (c) any notice of official action, administrative inquiries, or formal Securities and Exchange Commission, Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or Internal Revenue Service challenges pertaining to any public finance transaction, or relating to any public finance

matter in which the Respondent served as bond counsel, underwriters counsel, or other form of special counsel; and (d) any litigation or threatened litigation in connection with services rendered by the Respondent as bond counsel and/or special counsel or in connection with any opinion rendered by the Respondent in a bond transaction within the last seven (7) years.

Section III –Experience (50 points)

- Provide a general overview of any relevant experience serving as Issuer's Counsel, Co-Issuer's Counsel, Bond Counsel or Co-Bond Counsel with 501(c)(3) financings, industrial development bonds, and other economic or tax incentive-based or conduit financings undertaken by development authorities, and familiarity with Georgia's Development Authorities Law (O.C.G.A. Section 36-62-1 et seq.), Georgia's Redevelopment Powers Law (O.C.G.A. Section 36-44-1 et seq.), Georgia's Downtown Development Authorities Law (O.C.G.A. Section 36-42-1 et seq.), Georgia's Urban Redevelopment Law (O.C.G.A. Section 36-61-1 et seq.) and Georgia's Urban Residential Finance Authorities Act for Large Municipalities (O.C.G.A. Section 36-41-1 et seq.) or similar statutes.
- Identify any City, County, State agency or departments represented by the Respondent in the last five (5) years. For each, provide the name of the entity, a description of the matter, the dates of engagement and the name and contact information of the manager responsible for overseeing the work of the firm on that matter.
- Identify any City, County, State agency or department before or against which the firm has regularly appeared on behalf of other clients and identify any potential conflicts of interest arising from representation of Invest Atlanta.

Section IV Cost Proposal (25 points)

- Describe the hourly rates and fixed fees. Please be advised that Invest Atlanta will determine the fee schedule for services provided under this engagement on a deal by deal basis but will consider this cost proposal in the evaluation of the Respondent's submission.
- Describe any other fees, charges or expenses which may become necessary to perform Bond Counsel services, including hourly rates and charges for work performed outside the scope of engagement.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY INCLUSION POLICY

Invest Atlanta encourages all Respondents to promote opportunities for diverse businesses, including Minority Business Enterprises ("MBE"), Female Business Enterprises ("FBE") and

Small Business Enterprises (“SBE”) to compete for business as subcontractors and/or suppliers. However, nothing herein should indicate that an MBE, FBE or SBE may not apply and be selected independently, as MBEs, FBEs, and SBEs that meet the qualifications of this RFQ are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration. For an MBE, FBE or SBE to participate on the contract, said MBE, FBE or SBE must be certified as an MBE or FBE and be registered with the City's Office of Contract Compliance M/FBE Register. SBEs must be registered with the City and are defined as businesses not exceeding \$2.5 million in gross sales during the recent calendar or fiscal year. Please complete and include with your submission the Diversity and Equity Certification form attached as **Appendix A**.

Firms interested in obtaining applications for certification should contact these organizations:

- **City of Atlanta – Office of Contract Compliance (MBE/FBE):** Jason Ingram, Interim Director, Office of Contract Compliance, 55 Trinity Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, Telephone: (404) 330-6010, Fax: (404) 658-7359, email: jingram@atlantaga.gov.
- **Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)** certification by the U.S. Small Business Administration provided they reflect certification because of minority or women-owned status.

EVALUATION & ACCEPTANCE OF STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Invest Atlanta reserves the right to reject any and all responses, to amend this RFQ and the process itself, or to discontinue the process at any time.

E-VERIFY AFFIDAVIT

Provide notarized proof of compliance with the Illegal Immigration Reform and Enforcement Act, O.C.G.A. §13-10-90, et seq. (**Appendix B**) E-Verify. Respondents must comply with the Illegal Immigration Reform and Enforcement Act, O.C.G.A. §13-10-90, et seq. All services physically performed within the State of Georgia must be accompanied by proof of your registration with the E-Verify Program, as well as verification of your continuing and future participation in the E-Verify program established by the United States Department of Homeland Security.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All qualifications and supporting materials as well as correspondence relating to this RFQ become property of Invest Atlanta when received. Any proprietary information contained in the Response should be so indicated. However, a general indication that the entire contents, or a major portion, of the proposal is proprietary will not be honored.

- A. All applicable State of Georgia and Federal laws, City and County ordinances, licenses and regulations of all agencies having jurisdiction shall apply to the Respondent(s) and the scope of services. The engagement letter with the Respondent(s), and all questions concerning the execution, validity or invalidity, capability of the parties, and the performance of the services, shall be interpreted in all respects in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.
- B. Professionals requiring special licenses must be licensed in the State of Georgia and shall be responsible for those portions of the work as may be required by law.
- C. No Response shall be accepted from, and no contract will be awarded to, any person, firm, or corporation that (i) is in arrears to Invest Atlanta or the City with respect to any debt, (ii) is in default with respect to any obligation to Invest Atlanta or the City, or (iii) is deemed irresponsible or unreliable by Invest Atlanta. If requested, the Respondent shall be required to submit satisfactory evidence that they have the necessary financial resources to provide the proposed services.
- D. From the date Invest Atlanta receives a Respondent's proposal through the date a contract is awarded to a Respondent, no Respondent may make substitutions, deletions, additions or other changes in the configuration of Respondent's proposal or members of Respondent's team.

All contractors, consultants, suppliers, proponents or prospective contractors, consultants, suppliers or proponents are asked to complete the following form. Please return the form in a separate, sealed envelope, clearly marked "CONTRACTOR DATA COLLECTION" and your company or firm name to the IA Director of Compliance at compliance@investatlanta.com.



Diversity and Equity Certification Form

The Atlanta Development Authority d/b/a Invest Atlanta ("Invest Atlanta") is committed to monitoring the participation of businesses owned and operated by diverse persons in its procurement of services and goods. It is imperative that potential vendors and consultants provide the requested information and return this form to Invest Atlanta's Director of Compliance as part of any purchasing process.

Vendor/Consultant Name: _____

Business Address: _____
Address City State Zip Code

A **Minority Business Enterprise** is defined as being **at least 51% owned and controlled** by one or more of the following categories: African American, Asian American, Hispanic American, or Native American. A **Female Business Enterprise** is defined as being **at least 51% owned and controlled** by one or more women. A **Disabled Veterans' Business** is defined as being **at least 51% owned and controlled** by one or more service-disabled veterans

- Check ALL categories that apply to your business entity. Indicate N/A if no categories are applicable.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> African American Business Enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian American Business Enterprise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic American Business Enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Native American Business Enterprise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-minority Female Business Enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
- Check ALL categories that apply to any subcontractors to be used for the current procurement. Indicate N/A if no categories are applicable *or* if all work will be self-performed.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> African American Business Enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian American Business Enterprise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic American Business Enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Native American Business Enterprise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-minority Female Business Enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
- Check ALL categories that apply to your business entity. If "Yes", please provide a copy of the verification letter from the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, Center for Veterans Enterprise.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Owned Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
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- Has your business been awarded certification as an M/FBE, or a DBE (whether SBA 8(a), DOT, or other) with another governmental agency, department, or authority? Yes No If yes, then please provide a copy of your certification letter or certificate.
- Is your principal place of business located in the 20 County metro Atlanta area? Yes No
(Barrow, Bartow, Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Hall, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding, Walton)

Signature: _____ Title: _____
(Must be senior management level)

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

SAVE AFFIDAVIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH O.C.G.A §50-36-1(e)(2)

**INVEST ATLANTA AFFIDAVIT
VERIFYING STATUS FOR RECEIPT OF PUBLIC BENEFIT**

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a contract with Invest Atlanta, or other public benefit as provided by O.C.G.A. §50-36-1, and determined by the Attorney General of Georgia in accordance therewith, I state the following with respect to my application for a public benefit from Invest Atlanta:

For: _____
[Name of natural person applying on behalf of individual, business, corporation, partnership, or other private entity]

- 1) _____ I am a United States Citizen.
- OR**
- 2) _____ I am a legal permanent resident 18 years of age or older.
- OR**
- 3) _____ I am an otherwise qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act 18 years of age or older and lawfully present in the United States.

All non-citizens must provide their Alien Registration Number below.

Alien Registration number for non-citizens

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she has provided at least one secure and verifiable document as required by O.C.G.A. §50-36-1(e)(1) with this Affidavit. **The secure and verifiable document provided with this affidavit is:**

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. §16-10-20, and face criminal penalties as allowed by such criminal statute.

Signature of Applicant

Date:

Printed Name of Applicant:

Sworn to and subscribed before me
This ___ day of _____, 20___

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____