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I understand the need for a clean slate start for the Assessor's office. But I am not sure this combination firm is the answer.

For starters they are not even one firm. One patched onto the other. They have never worked together. The dynamics of that alone would take weeks to get it working in concert.

I think 179 hours is very little time. \$ 34,900 is a good figure, but not realistic. What do we do if the car breaks down in the middle ? Once with them, we would not go with another firm midway...

To be distributed among two senior and four other employees. To award the task to the least expensive bidder is not correct either, especially since in this case we do not know where the final product will be. Sometimes you buy the cheaper shoe thinking it is a bargain , but a month later you need a new pair. Whereas if you had bought the more expensive pair, it would have lasted longer, plus no extra time would be spent going shopping again.

I think you should be able to find a better firm. One that does not have to go and patch. How about McKinsey ? They will take on anything.

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