

The Superior Court of the District of Columbia provides interpreting services as mandated by local and federal statutes.

The Office of Court Interpreting Services (OCIS) is staffed by two coordinators, who oversee the hiring of independent contract interpreters for all foreign languages and American Sign Language, and one Spanish court interpreter.

The OCIS makes every effort to contract interpreters holding nationally-recognized credentials, such as those issued by the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf and the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. The OCIS expects interpreters to abide by *The Code of Professional Responsibility for Interpreters in the Judiciary*, produced by the National Center for State Courts (NCSC). A copy may be obtained from the OCIS or the NCSC.

The coordinator evaluates interpreters, on an individual basis, in languages for which there is no certification before they can be placed in the interpreter roster.

If you wish to be included in this roster, you can submit your résumé to the address, fax number or e-mail address on this brochure.

Persons with bilingual skills that would like to become interpreters can visit the following web sites:

DC Courts Website
<http://www.dccourts.gov>

National Association of Judiciary Interpreters and Translators (NAJIT)
www.najit.org

Federal Court Interpreters Certification Examination Program (National Center for State Courts)
http://www.ncsconline.org/d_research/Consort-interp/fcice_exam/index.htm

Federal Court Interpreter Information Sheet – Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts
<http://www.uscourts.gov/interpretprog/infosheet.html>

The National Center for Interpretation Testing, Research and Policy
<http://nci.arizona.edu>

University of Charleston, South Carolina Graduate Program in Bilingual Legal Interpreting
<http://www.cofc.edu/~legalint/>

National Center for State Courts
<http://www.ncsconline.org>

Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf
<http://www.rid.org>

Maryland Judiciary (Consortium member)
<http://www.courts.state.md.us>

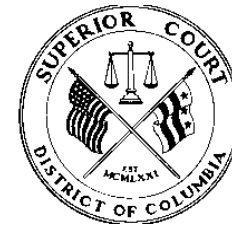
Virginia Judiciary (Consortium member)
<http://www.courts.state.va.us>

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