



**AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL RULES OF PRACTICE  
FOR THE DISTRICT COURTS**

**Title I**

**RULE 8. INTERPRETERS**

**DEFINITIONS**

1. “Review Panel” means the Minnesota Court Interpreter Review Panel, which is comprised of two district court judges and one court administrator appointed by the Chief Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court.

~~2. “Court” means the Minnesota Supreme Court.~~

~~3~~2. “Coordinator” means the Court Interpreter Program Coordinator assigned to the State Court Administrator's Office.

~~4~~3. “Good Character” means traits that are relevant to and have a rational connection with the present fitness or capacity of an applicant to provide interpretation services in court proceedings.

~~5~~4. “Roster” means the Minnesota statewide roster of court interpreters.

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**Rule 8.09 EXPENSES AND FEES**

The expenses for administering the certification requirements, including the complaint procedures, may be paid from initial application, examination fees and renewal fees. The fees shall be set by the State Court Administrator’s Office and may be revised as necessary with the approval of the Supreme Court.

**Rule 8.10 CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

The State Court Administrator's Office may establish continuing education requirements for certified and non-certified interpreters on the Minnesota Court Interpreter Roster with the approval of the Supreme Court.

**Rule 8.11 CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS**

Subject to exceptions in rules 8.01, 8.04(a)(3), 8.05(a)(3), 8.05(a)(5), and 8.06(d) of these rules, and the Enforcement Procedures for the Code of Professional Responsibility for Court Interpreters, all information in the files of the Coordinator, the Review Panel, and the State Court Administrator relating to court interpreters shall be confidential and shall not be released to anyone other than the Supreme Court except upon order of the Supreme Court.

**Rule 8.0412 INTERPRETERS TO ASSIST JURORS**

Qualified interpreters appointed by the court for any juror with a sensory disability may be present in the jury room to interpret while the jury is deliberating and voting.