



Orientation Program for Court Interpreters

Register now!

Court interpreters play a vital role in court proceedings to ensure that court customers who do not speak English or are deaf or hard of hearing receive equal access to justice. Court interpretation is a highly specialized form of interpreting that cannot be effectively performed without adequate specialized training and skills. The court interpreter's job is to produce a true and legally appropriate interpretation of the meaning from source to target language.

The Orientation program provides an introduction to court interpreting including:

- an overview of the Minnesota Judicial System, court processes and legal terms;
- detailed information on the role of interpreters in the court system;
- ethics and professional responsibilities for court interpreters;
- intensive, guided, interpreter skill-building sessions; and
- Ethics and Legal Terminology (Written Test Part 2) will be administered.

When: Thursday, October 29, 2020: 12:30 – 3:30p
Friday, October 30, 2020: 1:15-6:00p
Saturday, October 31, 2020: 9:30a-4:00p
Monday, November 2, 2020: 4:00p written exam part 2

Where: Virtual Training by Zoom and In Person at Minnesota Judicial Center

Virtual Training: Each participant is required to have an electronic device capable of audio, video, and an internet connection. Acceptable devices include cell phone with camera (Smartphone), computer with camera, tablet/iPad with camera. Participants must participate in all of the training segments in order to receive a "completion" status.

In Person at Minnesota Judicial Center: Orientation Training includes taking the Written Exam Part 2: Ethics and Court Terminology. The National Center for State Courts requires written exams to be administered in person. Center for Disease Control precautions will be taken and detail instructions will be provided. If you have questions regarding this, please call Julie Grengs at (651) 205-4206.

Fee: **Payable by CHECK or MONEY ORDER only.**
\$75 *before* close of business on October 16, 2020
\$100 *after* October 19, 2020 (must be received by October 22, 2020)

**** To meet the state-wide roster requirements: Participants *must attend all* Zoom training sessions, *pass* the Ethics and Legal Terminology Written Test Part 2, and submit required paperwork**

PREREQUISITE

Participants must have received a passing score on Part 1 of the Written Test (English Proficiency) administered by the MN Court Interpreter Program.

If you need accommodations in order to participate, please notify the Court Interpreter Program office at 651.297.5300.



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Registration Form

Registration **with payment and a copy of your photo ID** must be received by **October 22, 2020:**

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Please make check or money order payable to: **MN Court Interpreter Program. Credit cards cannot be accepted.**

Send payment and Orientation Program Registration form to:

Court Interpreter Program, Room 105
Minnesota Judicial Center
25 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155

Once applications are accepted, participants will receive email confirmation and directions to the location. The registration fee is non-refundable and non-transferable; it cannot be applied to future Court Interpreter programs. However, the registration fee will be returned to any applicant not accepted due to space limitations or cancellation of the program.

PLEASE PRINT

Name (as shown on legal documentation):

First Name		Middle Name		
Last Name				
Preferred Name				
Street Address				
City	County	State	Zip Code	
Email Address				
Mobile Phone		Home Phone		
Language(s) you interpret other than English				

Contact Julie Grengs at 651.297.5300 Julie.Grengs@courts.state.mn.us with questions.