



THE SUPREME COURT *of* OHIO

65 South Front Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-3431

RECIPROCITY FOR COURT INTERPRETER CERTIFICATION

Court interpreter certification through reciprocity is described in Superintendence Rule 81(I) of the Rules of Superintendence for the Court of Ohio. Candidates who wish to apply to receive reciprocity from the Supreme Court of Ohio must meet the following conditions:

- Submit a formal application and payment
- Verify legal right to work and live the United States
- Submit a background check demonstrating no convictions of any crime involving moral turpitude
- Proof of receiving a passing score in the federal or state court interpreter exam
- Sign an oath to comply with the Code of Professional Conduct for Court Interpreters and Translators
- Agree to be listed on the roster of court interpreters and to work directly with the courts

Additionally, in accordance with Superintendence Rule 85, a Supreme Court certified interpreter must complete and report at least 24 credit hours of continuing education offered or accredited by the Language Services Program for each two-year reporting period, including six credit hours of ethics.

Candidates who meet the above-mentioned conditions will be placed on the Supreme Court website statewide roster which will be made available for assignments to all courts in Ohio.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

A \$25.00 **nonrefundable** fee is assessed to apply for certification reciprocity. Applications without payment will not be accepted.

Make payments to the Supreme Court of Ohio,
Mail to: Supreme Court of Ohio
Language Services Program
65 S. Front Street, 6th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3431

Acceptable forms of payment: money order, personal check, and company check. A \$25 return check fee will be charged.

The Supreme Court of Ohio

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Columbus OH 43215-3431

APPLICATION FOR COURT INTERPRETER RECIPROCITY

Please complete the entire application. Do not leave any fields blank. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED.

Applicant Information:

Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr.: _____
(circle preferred) Last Name First Name Middle Name

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Driver's License #: _____ State: _____

Language(s) of Expertise: _____

COURT CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

If you are seeking reciprocity for court interpreter certification, please complete the following information below. Please indicate the credentials that you have obtained and provide the exam testing location, language, date the credential was received, and whether or not your credential remains current. Please attach copies of any credentials that support your application for reciprocity.

Certifying Body:	Date of Certification	Language	Expiration (if any)	Written Score	Oral Score
State Court Certification (List State)					
Federal Certification					
Other Accredited Entity					

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Have you ever taken a court interpreter examination in another state? If yes, State: _____, Year: _____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever been certified or licensed as an interpreter in another state? If yes, where? _____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever been convicted of a felony? If yes, explain: _____ _____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a traffic violation? If yes, explain: _____ _____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have a legal right to live and work in the United States?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Certification

I certify that the answers I provided to the questions in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if this application is not completed in its entirety, it may not be processed and it will be returned to me at the address on the form. I also understand that a background check will be required prior to receiving reciprocity from the Supreme Court of Ohio.

Applicant Signature	Date
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