



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE
UNITED STATES COURTS

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20544

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MEMORANDUM

To: Clerks, United States Courts
Chief Probation Officers
Chief Pretrial Services Officers

From: Judge Roslynn R. Mauskopf *Roslynn R. Mauskopf*

RE: 2023 FEES FOR CONTRACT COURT INTERPRETERS (**INFORMATION**)

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1827, I am authorized to prescribe a fee schedule for interpreter services, subject to periodic reviews. This is to advise you of an increase in the maximum rates for contract court interpreters paid from the general authorization and becomes effective on January 1, 2023.

Federally Certified Interpreters:

Full-Day: \$ 566
Half-Day: \$ 320
Overtime: \$ 80 per hour or part thereof

Professionally Qualified Interpreters:

Full-Day: \$ 495
Half-Day: \$ 280
Overtime: \$ 70 per hour or part thereof

Language Skilled Interpreters (non-certified):

Full-Day: \$ 350
Half-Day: \$ 190
Overtime: \$ 44 per hour or part thereof

The new fee schedule includes separate rates for federally certified and professionally qualified interpreters, distinguishing those who have successfully passed the Federal Court Interpreter Certification Examination. The half-day rate is paid for services up to and including four hours in one day; the full-day rate is paid for services in excess of four hours up to and including eight hours in one day; and the overtime/hourly rates apply if the workday exceeds eight hours, not including meal periods.

Courts may amend current contracts to incorporate these new maximum rates by preparing an SF-30, Amendment of Solicitation/Modification of Contract. If, following negotiations, an interpreter will not accept the established rates, the court should proceed to request authorization to exceed these rates from the Court Services Office (prior to the scheduled use of the interpreter) by submitting a “Request for Authorization to Exceed Fee Schedule” which can be found on the Forms page of the [JNet](#).

If you have questions about the payment of court interpreters or other aspects of the court interpreting program, contact the Court Services Office at (202) 502-1500 or via email at ncid_help@ao.uscourts.gov. If you have questions concerning the contracting process or contracting documents for court interpreters, please contact the [Procurement Management Division’s Procurement Analyst Support Team](#).

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