

# FEE STANDARDS FOR SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS WORKING IN ALABAMA'S LEGAL SETTINGS

The Alabama Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, in compliance with Section 12-21-131, as amended by Act 88-538, Section J, Paragraph (j), "...the fee shall be in accordance with standards established by the Alabama Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, in addition to actual expenses for travel and transportation..."

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## CREDENTIALS FOR PAYMENT:

1. Interpreters holding the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) "Special Certificate: Legal" (issued since 1992) shall be secured for court and related cases. If unavailable, interpreters with certificates from the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) or the National Association of the Deaf (NAD), Levels 5 or 4, shall be secured, with preference given to those with documented legal training.
2. The Appointing Authority shall provide a letter of appointment.
3. An Interpreter Claim for Expenses, Fees and Travel form shall be completed and signed by the Appointing Authority.

## FEES AND EXPENSE PROVISIONS:

1. Interpreters with an RID "Special Certificate: Legal" (SC:L) or Legal Skills Certificate (LSC) shall be paid \$150 per hour for the first two (2) hours with the rate; thereafter, \$75 per hour.
2. Interpreters, with other recognized National Certification (mentioned above), shall be paid \$120 per hour for the first two (2) hours; thereafter, \$60 per hour.
3. Mileage will be paid at the current State rate.
4. Expenses related to overnight shall be paid at the State per diem rate.
5. Expenses related to overnight travel shall be paid at the State per diem rate.