



NEWS RELEASE

EXPANSION OF INTERPRETER SERVICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF
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Effective Tuesday, October 11, 2016, the Riverside Superior Court will expand interpreter services to qualifying non-English speaking civil litigants countywide, at no cost in several case types as follows:

- Family Law Domestic Violence Cases
- Elder Abuse Cases with Physical Abuse or Neglect
- Civil Harassment with Violence
- Unlawful Detainers
- Terminate Parental Rights – (those with fee waivers have preference)
- Conservatorship or Guardianship (those with fee waivers have preference)

The expansion of interpreter services was made possible by a change in statewide policy regarding court interpreter funding. Although the Riverside Superior Court is committed to providing language access through qualified interpreters consistent with Government Code §68092.1, spoken language interpreters can only be provided in other case types when available and on a limited basis.

The court will also continue to provide interpreters in all mandated areas as follows:

- Criminal
- Traffic
- Juvenile Delinquency
- Juvenile Dependency
- Child Support (AB1058)
- Mental Health

Litigants, agencies, and counsel can request an interpreter when filing their case at the clerk's office, by mail or e-mail at

CrtsInterpReq@riverside.courts.ca.gov. Parties should inform the Court that they need an interpreter as far in advance as possible of their hearing. If an interpreter is not requested in advance or is not available, the case may be continued by the Court until one can be assigned. Other information regarding interpreter services can be found on our Court website at:

<http://riverside.courts.ca.gov/interpreter/interpreter.shtml>

Questions regarding Interpreter Services may be sent via e-mail to CrtsInterpReq@riverside.courts.ca.gov.

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