### Agenda Court Interpreter Committee

September 25, 2009 12:00 to 1:30 p.m.

Administrative Office of the Courts Scott M. Matheson Courthouse 450 South State Street Judicial Council Room, Suite N31

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Approval of minutes	Tab 1	Judge Vernice Trease
Accounting manual changes to fee		
structure	Tab 2	Tim Shea
Report on FY2009 measures.		Tim Shea
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Judicial Council initiatives	Tab 3	Tim Shea

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Meeting Schedule: Matheson Courthouse, 12:00 to 1:30, Judicial Council Room

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about mentors charging the mentee for the service. Consensus that mentor should receive education					
credit for the service.					
Action: Recommend approval to the Judicial Council without the mentoring provision. Defer to next meeting a discussion of market pressures on an increasing number of certified interpreters and role of the					
committee. In the meantime find out: Who is and is not working? What is their experience level? What					
factors are used to select interpreters? Are some interpreters not accepting assignments?					
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Topic	Fee Structure	Ву	Tim Shea			
Discussion: Issues: wait time; minimum fee; length of payment increment.						
Action:	Discuss first at the next meeting.					

## Tab 2

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- 1 Court Interpreters
- 2 Purpose:
- 3 To outline the policies and procedures regarding payment of interpreters in courts of
- 4 record and courts not of record for non-English speaking persons and for hearing-
- 5 impaired persons.
- 6 Policy:
- 7 INTERPRETERS FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING PERSONS
- 8 A. The courts will pay interpreter fees and expenses as authorized by Rule 3-306.
- 9 B. Hourly Rates
- The courts will pay the following rates for a certified, approved, or conditionally approved interpreter. The courts will not pay interpreters who are not certified,
- 12 approved, or conditionally approved. These rates do not apply to a court employee.

	Hourly
Credentials	Rate
Certified	\$38.63
Approved in languages for which there is no certification program	\$33.10
Approved in languages for which there is a certification program	\$24.82
Conditionally Approved in languages for which there is no certification program	\$24.82
Conditionally Approved in languages for which there is a certification program	\$18.03

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- 1. The courts will pay for time interpreting in legal proceedings from the scheduled start or actual start of the proceeding, whichever is earlier, until the end of the proceeding. If the scheduled start is delayed because of the interpreter's absence, the interpreter will be paid for time interpreting from the actual start of the legal proceeding until the end of the proceeding.
- 2. The courts will pay for time traveling in one circuit from and to the interpreter's home base and between courthouses.
- 3. The courts will pay for time waiting between legal proceedings, up to <u>2 hours 1</u> <u>hour</u> per day, but not including the lunch hour. Travel time is not included in waiting time.
- 24 D. Mileage

The courts will pay reimbursement, at the same rate as state employees, for each mile traveled in one circuit from and to the interpreter's home base and between courthouses.

#### E. Calculations

- 1. If the sum of all time calculations is one hour or less in the morning, the interpreter will be paid for one hour. If the sum of all time calculations is one hour or less in the afternoon, the interpreter will be paid for one hour. If the sum of all time calculations is more than one hour, the interpreter will be paid in 6-minute increments.
- 2. Travel time and distance shall be calculated in accordance with charts prepared by the Administrative Office of the Courts, unless the appointing authority finds good cause for an exception.
- 3. Travel time is paid at the rate determined by the interpreter's language credentials that will be used at the legal proceeding the interpreter is going to. Travel time to the interpreter's home base is paid at the rate determined by the interpreter's language credentials used at the final legal proceeding of the day. Interpreting time and waiting time are paid at the rate determined by the interpreter's language credentials that will be used at the legal proceeding.
- 4. The court that the interpreter travels to will pay the waiting or travel time and mileage reimbursement to that courthouse. The court with the last assignment of the day will pay the travel time and mileage reimbursement to the interpreter's home base.
- 5. An interpreter may waive travel time and/or mileage reimbursement to qualify for participation in a rotation schedule.
  - F. Cancelation and early termination of legal proceedings
- The courts will pay for canceled legal proceedings under the following conditions:
- 1. the interpreter is notified of the legal proceeding more than two business days before the scheduled start of the legal proceeding; and
  - 2. the interpreter is notified of the cancelation less than two business days before the scheduled start of the legal proceeding; and
    - 3. the cancelation is not due to the interpreter's absence.
  - If these conditions are met and the legal proceeding is canceled before the scheduled start, the court will pay for one hour, unless the proceeding is scheduled for 6

hours or more. If the proceeding is canceled after the scheduled start, the court will pay for time under paragraph C.1. If the proceeding is scheduled for 6 hours or more, the court will pay for 50% of the fee for the balance of the scheduled time up to a maximum of 6 hours. The courts will pay for travel time and mileage reimbursement for each mile actually and necessarily traveled if the interpreter is notified while in route to the legal proceeding.

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- 1. Subject to the Code of Professional Responsibility, the interpreter must take assignments offered during any time the interpreter is being paid or forfeit the fee for that period of time. The interpreter will be paid one fee for that time. The appointing authority may release an interpreter if there are no assignments to offer.
- 2. If there is an extended delay in the interpreter's duties in a legal proceeding, (such as waiting for a jury to complete deliberations) the appointing authority may:
- a. (usually for long periods) release the interpreter, in which case the interpreter has no obligation to the court and is not paid during the interim. A legal proceeding after the release is treated as a regular assignment.
- b. (usually for intermediate periods) direct the interpreter to remain on-call, in which case the interpreter may leave the courthouse, but must be able to return within the time after notice specified by the appointing authority. The court will pay at the ratio of 1 hour for every 2 hours on-call or fractions thereof up to a maximum of 6 hours (12 hours oncall). A fraction of an hour is rounded up to the next hour. A legal proceeding after the on-call notice is treated as a regular assignment.
- c. (usually for short periods) direct the interpreter to wait at the courthouse, in which case the court will pay for the actual waiting time.
  - H. Common carrier; lodging and per diem
- Payment for travel by common carrier and for lodging and per diem expenses must be approved in advance by the appointing authority for a court not of record or by the deputy state court administrator for a court of record.
  - I. Request for payment
- Interpreters in courts of record shall submit requests for payment on a form provided 86 by the Administrative Office of the Courts. Interpreters in courts not of record shall

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submit requests for payment on a form provided by the court. All interpreters must provide the Administrative Office of the Courts or the court not of record with a Utah taxpayer identification number or social security number prior to receiving payment.

#### INTERPRETERS FOR HEARING-IMPAIRED PERSONS

- Interpreters for the hearing-impaired are governed by Utah Code Title 78B, Title 1, Part 2, and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The courts will pay for one interpreter for each hearing-impaired party, juror, witness or courtroom visitor in all criminal, civil, and juvenile proceedings. If a legal proceeding takes more than two hours, the courts will pay for two interpreters.
- 96 A. Scheduling

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- 97 Courts should schedule an interpreter who has at least one of the following 98 certifications in good standing:
- 99 State of Utah, Master Certificate;
- Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Specialist Certificate: Legal;
- 101 Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Certified Deaf Interpreter; or
- National Interpreter Certification, Master or Advanced Certificate,
- and preferably has completed the AOC's workshop for approved interpreters.
- 104 If an interpreter with such credentials is not available, the courts should schedule an interpreter who has at least one of the following certifications in good standing:
- 106 State of Utah, Intermediate Certificate;
- 107 Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Certificate of Interpretation;
- 108 Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Certificate of Transliteration; or
- National Interpreter Certification, Certified Level,
- and preferably has completed the AOC's workshop for approved interpreters.
- 111 Courts should try to schedule appointments 24 hours or more in advance, because
  112 last-minute appointments, scheduled on the same day that service is provided, may
  113 incur surcharges. Courts should first attempt to schedule appointments through the
  114 Utah Interpreter Program. If interpreters cannot be scheduled through the Utah
  115 Interpreter Program, their services may be secured in accordance with procurement
  116 policies through individual interpreters or through private agencies.
- 117 B. Cancelation

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To avoid being billed for all of a scheduled appointment, notice of cancelation should be given at least 24 hours before the start of an assignment.

Cancelation payment policies for language interpreters are not applicable to interpreters for the hearing-impaired. Applicable cancelation payment policies are determined by the Utah Interpreter Program or by private agencies or interpreters from whom the service is secured.

#### C. Payment

Pursuant to Utah Code Section 78B-1-208, an interpreter appointed under this part is entitled to a reasonable fee for his or her services, including waiting time and reimbursement for necessary travel and subsistence expenses. The fee shall be based on a fee schedule for interpreters recommended by the Division of Rehabilitation Services or on prevailing market rates. Reimbursement for necessary travel and subsistence expenses shall be at rates provided by law for state employees.

Any invoice for interpreter fees submitted directly to AOC Purchasing that has not been signed by the district interpreter coordinator must be verified. An AOC Purchasing Agent will contact the district interpreter coordinator, who will check court records to ensure that the invoice or request is accurate and that the amount claimed is correct. The appointing authority will pay the agency that provides the interpreting service.

# Tab 3

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- 1 Rule 3-306. Court interpreters.
- 2 Intent:
- 3 To state the policy of the Utah courts to secure the rights of people in legal
- 4 proceedings who are unable to understand or communicate adequately in the English
- 5 language.
- 6 To outline the procedure for certification, appointment, and payment of court
- 7 interpreters.
- 8 To provide certified interpreters in legal proceedings in those languages for which a
- 9 <u>certification program has been established.</u>
- 10 Applicability:
- 11 This rule shall apply to legal proceedings in the courts of record and not of record.
- 12 This rule shall apply to interpretation for non-English speaking people and not to
- interpretation for the hearing impaired, which is governed by Utah statutes.
- 14 Statement of the Rule:
- 15 (1) Definitions.
- 16 (1)(A) "Appointing authority" means a judge, commissioner, referee or juvenile
- 17 <u>probation officer, or delegate thereof.</u>
- 18 (1)(B) "Approved interpreter" means a person who has fulfilled the requirements
- 19 established in paragraph (3).
- 20 (1)(C) "Certified interpreter" means a person who has fulfilled the requirements
- 21 <u>established in paragraph (3).</u>
- 22 (1)(D) "Committee" means the Court Interpreter Committee established by Rule 1-
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- 24 (1)(E) "Conditionally-approved interpreter" means a person who, in the opinion of the
- 25 appointing authority after evaluating the totality of the circumstances, has language
- skills, knowledge of interpreting techniques, and familiarity with interpreting sufficient to
- 27 interpret the legal proceeding. A conditionally approved interpreter shall read and is
- 28 bound by the Code of Professional Responsibility and shall subscribe the oath or
- 29 affirmation of a certified interpreter.
- 30 (1)(F) "Code of Professional Responsibility" means the Code of Professional
- 31 Responsibility for Court Interpreters set forth in Code of Judicial Administration

32 Appendix H. An interpreter may not be required to act contrary to law or the Code of 33 Professional Responsibility. 34 (1)(G) "Legal proceeding" means a proceeding before the appointing authority. Legal proceeding does not include communication outside the court unless permitted by the 35 36 appointing authority. 37 (2) Court Interpreter Committee. The Court Interpreter Committee shall: 38 (2)(A) research, develop and recommend to the Judicial Council policies and 39 procedures for interpretation in legal proceedings and translation of printed materials; 40 (2)(B) issue informal opinions to questions regarding the Code of Professional 41 Responsibility, which is evidence of good-faith compliance with the Code; and 42 (2)(C) discipline court interpreters. (3) Application, training, testing, roster. 43 44 (3)(A) Subject to the availability of funding, and in consultation with the committee, the administrative office of the courts shall establish programs to certify and approve 45 court interpreters in the non-English languages most frequently needed in the courts. 46 47 The administrative office shall publish a roster of certified interpreters and a roster of 48 approved interpreters. To be certified or approved, an applicant shall: 49 (3)(A)(i) file an application form approved by the administrative office; 50 (3)(A)(ii) pay a fee established by the Judicial Council; 51 (3)(A)(iii) pass a background check; 52 (3)(A)(iv) complete training as required by the administrative office; 53 (3)(A)(v) obtain a passing score on the court interpreter's test(s) as required by the administrative office; 54 55 (3)(A)(vi) complete 10 hours observing a certified interpreter in a legal proceeding; 56 and 57 (3)(A)(vii) take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: "I will make a true and 58 impartial interpretation using my best skills and judgment in accordance with the Code 59 of Professional Responsibility." 60 (3)(B) A person who is certified in good standing by the federal courts or by a state 61 having a certification program that is equivalent to the program established under this

- rule may be certified without complying with paragraphs (3)(A)(iv) through (3)(A)(vii) but shall pass an ethics examination and otherwise meet the requirements of this rule.
- 64 (3)(C) No later than December 31 of each even-numbered calendar year, certified
- and approved interpreters shall pass the background check for applicants, and certified
- 66 interpreters shall complete at least 16 hours of continuing education approved by the
- administrative office of the courts.
- 68 (4) Appointment.
- 69 (4)(A) Except as provided in paragraphs (4)(B), (4)(C) and (4)(D), if the appointing
- authority determines that a party, witness, victim or person who will be bound by the
- 71 legal proceeding has a limited ability to understand and communicate in English, the
- appointing authority shall appoint a certified interpreter in the following cases:
- 73 (4)(A)(i) criminal cases;
- 74 (4)(A)(ii) preliminary inquiries and cases filed on behalf of the state under Title 78A,
- 75 Chapter 6, Juvenile Court Act of 1996;
- 76 (4)(A)(iii) cases filed against the state pursuant to Utah Rule of Civil Procedure
- 77 <u>65B(b) or 65C;</u>
- 78 (4)(A)(iv) cases filed under Title 62A, Chapter 5, Part 3 Admission to Mental
- 79 Retardation Facility;
- 80 (4)(A)(v) cases filed under Title 62A, Chapter 15, Part 6, Utah State Hospital and
- 81 Other Mental Facilities;
- 82 (4)(A)(vi) cases filed under Title 75, Chapter 5, Parts 2, 3, and 4;
- 83 (4)(A)(vii) cases filed under Title 77, Chapter 3a, Stalking Injunctions:
- 84 (4)(A)(viii) cases filed under Title 78B, Chapter 7, Protective Orders;
- 85 (4)(A)(ix) cases filed under Title 26, Chapter 6b, Communicable Diseases -
- 86 Treatment, Isolation, and Quarantine Procedures; or
- 87 (4)(A)(x) other cases in which the appointing authority determines that the court is
- 88 obligated to appoint an interpreter.
- 89 (4)(B) An approved interpreter may be appointed if no certified interpreter is
- 90 reasonably available.
- 91 (4)(C) A conditionally-approved interpreter may be appointed if the appointing
- 92 authority, after evaluating the totality of the circumstances, finds that:

93 (4)(C)(i) the prospective interpreter has language skills, knowledge of interpreting 94 techniques and familiarity with interpreting sufficient to interpret the legal proceeding: 95 and (4)(C)(ii) appointment of the prospective interpreter does not present a real or 96 97 perceived conflict of interest or appearance of bias; and 98 (4)(C)(iii) neither a certified nor an approved interpreter is reasonably available or 99 the gravity of the legal proceeding and the potential consequence to the person are so 100 minor that delays in obtaining a certified or approved interpreter are not justified. 101 (4)(D) No interpreter is needed for a direct verbal exchange between the person and 102 a probation officer if the probation officer can fluently speak the language understood by 103 the person. An approved or conditionally approved interpreter may be appointed for a 104 juvenile probation conference if the probation officer does not speak the language 105 understood by the juvenile. 106 (5) Payment. 107 (5)(A) In cases described in paragraph (4), the interpreter fees and expenses shall 108 be paid by the administrative office of the courts in courts of record and by the 109 government that funds the court in courts not of record. The court may assess the 110 interpreter fees and expenses as costs to a party as provided by law. (Utah 111 Constitution, Article I, Section 12, Utah Code Sections 77-1-6(2)(b), 77-18-7, 77-32a-1, 112 77-32a-2, 77-32a-3, 78B-1-146(3) and URCP 54(d)(2).) 113 (5)(B) The courts will pay for: 114 (5)(B)(i) one interpreter for non-English speaking defendants and non-English 115 speaking witnesses; 116 (5)(B)(ii) a separate interpreter for each non-English speaking defendant and/or 117 witness if the judge determines that one non-English speaking person has an interest 118 adverse to the others, or the judge determines that due process, confidentiality, or other 119 circumstances require that there be separate interpreters; or 120 (5)(B)(iii) two interpreters for person(s) requiring an interpreter if the judge 121 determines that the legal proceeding is so long that two interpreters are required to 122 alternate duties.

123	(6) Waiver. A person may waive an interpreter if the appointing authority approves
124	the waiver after determining that the waiver has been made knowingly and voluntarily. A
125	person may retract a waiver and request an interpreter at any time. An interpreter is for
126	the benefit of the court as well as for the non-English speaking person, so the
127	appointing authority may reject a waiver.
128	(7) Removal from legal proceeding. The appointing authority may remove an
129	interpreter from the legal proceeding for failing to appear as scheduled, for inability to
130	interpret adequately, including a self-reported inability, and for other just cause.
131	(8) Discipline.
132	(8)(A) An interpreter may be disciplined for:
133	(8)(A)(i) knowingly making a false interpretation in a legal proceeding;
134	(8)(A)(ii) knowingly disclosing confidential or privileged information obtained in a
135	legal proceeding:
136	(8)(A)(iii) knowingly failing to follow standards prescribed by law, the Code of
137	Professional Responsibility and this rule;
138	(8)(A)(iv) failing to pass a background check;
139	(8)(A)(v) failing to meet continuing education requirements;
140	(8)(A)(vi) conduct or omissions resulting in discipline by another jurisdiction; and
141	(8)(A)(vii) failing to appear as scheduled without good cause.
142	(8)(B) Discipline may include:
143	(8)(B)(i) permanent loss of certified or approved credentials;
144	(8)(B)(ii) temporary loss of certified or approved credentials with conditions for
145	reinstatement;
146	(8)(B)(iii) suspension from the roster of certified or approved interpreters with
147	conditions for reinstatement;
148	(8)(B)(vi) prohibition from serving as a conditionally approved interpreter;
149	(8)(B)(v) suspension from serving as a conditionally approved interpreter with
150	conditions for reinstatement; and
151	(8)(B)(vi) reprimand.
152	(8)(C) Any person may file a complaint in writing on a form provided by the program
153	manager. The complaint may be in the native language of the complainant, which the

AOC shall translate in accordance with this rule. The complaint shall describe in detail the incident and the alleged conduct or omission. The program manager may dismiss the complaint if it is plainly frivolous, insufficiently clear, or alleges conduct that does not violate this rule. If the complaint is not dismissed, the program manager shall mail the complaint to the interpreter at the address on file with the administrative office.

(8)(D) The interpreter shall answer the complaint within 30 days after the date the complaint is mailed or the allegations in the complaint are considered true and correct. The answer shall admit, deny or further explain each allegation in the complaint.

(8)(E) The program manager may review records and interview the complainant, the interpreter and witnesses. After considering all factors, the program manager may propose a resolution, which the interpreter may stipulate to. The program manager may consider aggravating and mitigating circumstances such as the severity of the violation, the repeated nature of violations, the potential of the violation to harm a person's rights, the interpreter's work record, prior discipline, and the effect on court operations.

(8)(F) If the complaint is not resolved by stipulation, the program manager will notify the committee, which shall hold a hearing. The committee chair and at least one interpreter member must attend. If a committee member is the complainant or the interpreter, the committee member is recused. The program manager shall mail notice of the date, time and place of the hearing to the interpreter. The hearing is closed to the public. Committee members and staff may not disclose or discuss information or materials outside of the meeting except with others who participated in the meeting or with a member of the Committee. The committee may review records and interview the interpreter, the complainant and witnesses. A record of the proceedings shall be maintained but is not public.

(8)(G) The committee shall decide whether there is sufficient evidence of the alleged conduct or omission, whether the conduct or omission violates this rule, and the discipline, if any. The chair shall issue a written decision on behalf of the committee within 30 days after the hearing. The program manager shall mail a copy of the decision to the interpreter.

(8)(H) The interpreter may review and, upon payment of the required fee, obtain a copy of any records to be used by the committee. The interpreter may attend all of the

- hearing except the committee's deliberations. The interpreter may be represented by counsel and shall be permitted to make a statement, call and interview the complainant and witnesses, and comment on the claims and evidence. The interpreter may obtain a copy of the record of the hearing upon payment of the required fee.
- 189 (8)(I) If the interpreter is certified in Utah under Paragraph (3)(B), the committee

  190 shall report the findings and sanction to the certification authority in the other

  191 jurisdiction.
- 192 <u>(9) Fees.</u>

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- 193 (9)(A) In April of each year the Judicial Council shall set the fees and expenses to be
  194 paid during the following fiscal year by the courts of record for the cases identified in
  195 Paragraph (4). Payment of fees and expenses shall be made in accordance with the
  196 Courts Accounting Manual.
- 197 (9)(B) The local government that funds a court not of record shall set the fees and expenses to be paid by that court for the cases identified in Paragraph (4).
- (10) Translation of court forms. Forms must be translated by a team of at least two
   people who are interpreters certified under this rule or translators accredited by the
   American Translators Association.
- 202 (11) Court employees as interpreters. A court employee may not interpret legal proceedings except as follows.
  - (11)(A) A court may hire an employee to be an interpreter. The employee will be paid the wages and benefits of the employee's grade and not the fee established by this rule. If the language is a language for which certification in Utah is available, the employee must be a certified interpreter. If the language is a language for which certification in Utah is not available, the employee must be an approved interpreter. The employee must meet the continuing education requirements of an employee, but at least half of the minimum requirement must be in improving interpreting skills. The employee is subject to the discipline process for court personnel, but the grounds for discipline include those listed in this rule.
- 213 (11)(B) A state court employee employed as an interpreter has the rights and 214 responsibilities provided in the Utah state court human resource policies, including the 215 Code of Personal Conduct, and the Court Interpreters' Code of Professional

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Responsibility also applies. A justice court employee employed as an interpreter has the
rights and responsibilities provided in the county or municipal human resource policies,
including any code of conduct, and the Court Interpreters' Code of Professional
Responsibility also applies.
(11)(C) A court may use an employee as a conditionally-approved interpreter under
paragraph (4)(C). The employee will be paid the wage and benefits of the employee's
grade and not the fee established by this rule.