

Orientation Seminar for Prospective Court Interpreters and Persons Wanting an Overview of Court Interpreting

What does the seminar cover?

This seminar provides an introduction to Alabama's court interpreter registration and certification program, the role of court interpreters in Alabama's courts, and resources for the professional development of court interpreters.

Who should attend the seminar?

Anyone who wants to become a court interpreter in Alabama should attend.

This seminar is the second step of the process of becoming a certified court interpreter.

Admission to the seminar for these individuals requires having first reached an appropriate score on the written test.

Official representatives of agencies that seek to become registered. Any agency that wishes to become registered must send the highest official representative possible to attend the seminar.

Any court official who wishes to learn more about court interpretation--especially judges, court clerks and court administrators -- are welcome to register for the seminar.

What will participants learn at the seminar?

How the court interpreter certification program functions, what the tests are really like, and how to prepare for them.

Resources for developing interpreting skills.

The duties and responsibilities of court interpreters.

An overview of the knowledge, skills, and abilities that court interpreters must possess

Who teaches the seminar?

A well educated and well experienced foreign language court interpreter.

When is it offered?

Orientation seminars are normally 2-day seminars.

Registration in advance is required and is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

The dates and locations are yet to be announced.