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You have a right to impartial, complete, and accurate interpretation of all court proceedings, granted in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

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FREE INTERPRETATION

The Office of Court Interpreters can be called for a variety of criminal and civil matters including: arraignments, reviews, hearings, trials, and conferences for both parties and witnesses.

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History

Under the Executive Order 13166, issued in August 2000 under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, all Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons are ensured meaningful access to all federal agencies receiving federal financial assistance. When a government agency or organization does not help you because you don't speak, read, write, or understand English well, they may be violating the law. This is called National Origin Discrimination.

The ACLU Complaint

In 2004 the American Civil Liberties Union of Rhode Island (ACLU) filed a complaint with the U.S. Justice Department's Civil Rights Division against the state for failing to provide adequate interpretation services in the Rhode Island courts. Since then, the Department of Justice has been investigating the claim and in 2010 it issued a memorandum requiring the Courts to prepare and execute a plan of compliance or risk losing federal funding. A recent memorandum issued by the Attorney General in February 2011 has reaffirmed the government's commitment to ensuring equal access for all LEP persons.

If you have suffered from National Origin Discrimination or want more information from the U.S. Department of Justice, please call 1-888-TITLE-06.