

NEED AN ASL INTERPRETER?

How to Request an ASL Interpreter

The courts will provide reasonable accommodations, including American Sign Language interpreters.

Who Can Request Interpreting Services?

- Any person with a disability may request an accommodation, including an ASL interpreter.
- Litigants, lawyers, defendants, witnesses, potential jurors and other members of the public using court services.

How to Request an Interpreter

- Fill out and submit the form, [Request for Accommodation for Person with Disability \(Form CC-DC-049\)](#).
- Be specific about the type of accommodation you need. For example, specify whether you need an American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter, Certified Deaf Interpreter (CDI), or Communication Access Real-Time Translation (CART) services.
- Find the form on the court's website (www.mdcourts.gov) or pick up a copy at a Maryland court.
- If possible, complete and submit the form 30 days before a scheduled court hearing or event.
- Submit your form to the clerk's office in the court where your case will be heard. The form may be submitted in person or by mail.
- The court will notify you if the request was granted.
- *Jury Service.* If you are requesting the accommodation for jury service, call the jury office number listed on your jury summons.

Watch the Video



Who Can Help You Complete the Form?

- If a lawyer is representing you, the lawyer can help you complete the form.
- If your case is a civil case, and you are not already represented by a lawyer, you may get help with the form at a Court Help Center. Call 410-260-1392 or go to mdcourts.gov/helpcenter for a list of locations.
- A friend or family member can help you complete the form.
- Clerks at the courthouse can answer general questions about the form.
- Each court also has an [ADA Field Coordinator](#) who can answer questions about the form and accommodations.

Communicating with Court Staff

- The court offers free remote (videoconference) ASL interpretation at clerk's offices, commissioner stations, and help centers.



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