

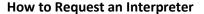
NEED AN ASL INTERPRETER?

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.



- 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 (<u>www.mdcourts.gov</u>) 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.

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 of 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

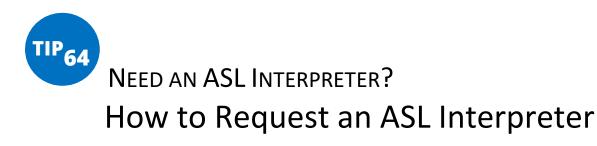
• The court offers free remote (videoconference) ASL interpretation at clerk's offices, commissioner stations, and help centers.



Maryland Court Help

Free. Online. In Person. By Phone.





If you have questions about requesting an accommodation, visit: www.mdcourts.gov/accessibility or contact the ADA Field Coordinator.



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