

Supreme Court of Florida

No. AOSC15-32

IN RE: ADOPTION OF AMENDED FEE SCHEDULE FOR
 CERTIFICATION AND REGULATION OF SPOKEN
 LANGUAGE COURT INTERPRETERS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Pursuant to Section 25.386, Florida Statutes, the Supreme Court of Florida is responsible for establishing minimum standards and procedures relating to the qualifications and certification of foreign language court interpreters. Pursuant to this authority, the Court adopted, and subsequently amended, the Florida Rules for Certification and Regulation of Spoken Language Court Interpreters.

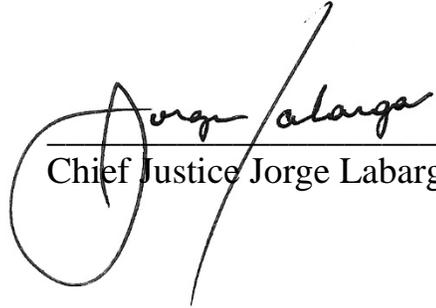
In March 2013, the Court designated the Court Interpreter Certification Board as a language access advisory committee for purposes of advising the Court on language access policy issues. The Board has since addressed a number of recommendations, including expanded use of technology to enhance efficiencies in training and testing interpreters. Specifically, in regard to testing, the Board has restructured procedures to permit the substitution of computer-based testing for the current paper and pencil model utilized for the written portion of the examination.

Rule 14.110(g) grants the Board responsibility for recommending to the Court “such fees as the board may deem necessary to permit it to carry out its duties.” Because of the transition from paper-based to computer-based testing, with the fees paid directly to a third-party provider, the Board recommended to the Court that the interpreter program’s fee schedule be amended to eliminate the current reference to the fees for the written examination.

The Court hereby adopts the following changes to the current fee schedule, effective upon signing of this order.

FEE TYPE	FLORIDA RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Orientation Workshop	\$150	\$300
Written Examination	\$50	\$100
Oral Performance Examination	\$200	\$400
Application for Official State-Level Designation and Registration	\$200	\$200
Biennial Renewal for Official State-Level Designation and Registration	\$200	\$200
Late Renewal	\$50	\$50
Continuing Interpreter Education Provider Fee	\$50 per activity, but not to exceed \$300 per two-year period	

DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, on September 21, 2015.



Chief Justice Jorge Labarga

ATTEST:



John A. Tomasino, Clerk of Court

