



Desired Outcomes

- Support interpreter success
- Identify training & education to improve performance
- Maintain quality of interpreter services
- Sanctions are last resort



Statutory Authority – Legislative Mandate

GC 68562 (d) The Judicial Council shall adopt standards and requirements for interpreter proficiency, continuing education, certification renewal, and discipline



Rule of Court

- Rule of court 2.890
 Professional conduct for interpreters legal authority and foundation
 - Judicial Council is the credentialing body



Why Needed

- Professional integrity and respect
- Aligns with other professions
- Equal and fair access to justice, trust and confidence
 - Protects interpreters, limited Englishproficient litigants and other court users
 - Legislative mandate



Developing the Procedures

- Research other states and professions
- Legal review
 - Robust discussions
 - Complaint initiated: standard best practice



Rule of Court 2.891- Current

- Court review of interpreter skill
- 150 languages/1,850 interpreters
- Employees & Independents
- Requires linguistic expertise
- Not realistic



Rule of Court 2.891- Recommend

- Court authority unchanged
- Adhere to personnel policies and procedures
- Abide by MOU's and contracts with independent contractors
- Revised rule is realistic for CA

Next Steps

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- Operational guidelines for courts
- Communication
- Assessment tool
- Review in one year
- Modify if needed



CIAP Recommends Repeal rule 2.891 Adopt new rule 2.891 Approve the California Court Interpreter Credential Review Procedures Delegate authority to the Administrative Director to approve future changes

