

D.C. Code § 2-1903

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TITLE 2. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
CHAPTER 19. INTERPRETERS  
SUBCHAPTER I. INTERPRETERS

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*D.C. Code § 2-1903 (2006)*

§ 2-1903. Notice of need for interpreter [Formerly § 31-2703]

(a) A communication-impaired person entitled to an interpreter under this chapter shall, if practicable, notify the appropriate appointing authority of the person's need for an interpreter at least 5 business days prior to the person's appearance. A failure to notify the appointing authority of the need for an interpreter is not a waiver of the right to an interpreter.

(b) An appointing authority, when it knows a communication-impaired person is, or will be coming before it, shall inform the communication-impaired person of the right to a qualified interpreter. In a judicial proceeding, when the court knows that a communication-impaired person will be before it, the court shall inform the party, or the parent of a juvenile who is a party, of the right of any communication-impaired person to a qualified interpreter.

**HISTORY:** 1981 Ed., § 31-2703; Jan. 28, 1988, D.C. Law 7-62, § 4, 34 DCR 7426.

**NOTES:**

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF LAW 7-62. --See note to § 2-1901.