

United States Bankruptcy Court Eastern District of New York



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SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE HEARING IMPAIRED AND OTHER PERSONS WITH COMMUNICATION DISABILITIES

In accordance with Judicial Conference policy, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York must provide sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids and services to participants in federal judicial proceedings who are deaf, hearing-impaired, or have communication disabilities, and may provide these services to spectators when the court deems appropriate. The Court should honor a participant's choice of auxiliary aid or service, unless it can show that another equally effective means of communication is available, or that use of the means chosen would result in a fundamental change in the nature of the judicial proceeding, or an undue financial or administrative burden.

"Participants" in judicial proceedings are generally defined as parties, attorneys and witnesses of in-court or out-of-court events. "Judicial proceedings" include in-court events, such as trials, hearings, ceremonies, and other public programs or activities conducted by a judicial officer. Section 341(a) Meetings (First Meeting of Creditors) are presided over by the United States Trustee and are not considered "judicial proceedings."

Written requests for any services identified above must be submitted to the local Access Coordinator at least two (2) weeks in advance of the judicial proceeding. **Application to Provide Services to the Hearing Impaired or Other Persons with Communication Disabilities** forms are available at the public counter and on our web site <https://www.nyeb.uscourts.gov/forms/application-provide-services-hearing-impaired-or-other-persons-communication-disabilities>

The local Access Coordinator is:

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

**APPLICATION TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE HEARING IMPAIRED
OR OTHER PERSONS WITH COMMUNICATION DISABILITIES**

In re: _____ Case No. _____

In accordance with guidelines of this court, application is made for a court-provided sign language interpreter and/or other appropriate auxiliary aids as follows:

- ☐ Sign language interpreter
☐ Other communication/auxiliary aid, as specified:

Judge _____ Hearing Date/Time/Location _____

Applicant's Role:

- ☐ Debtor
☐ Defendant
☐ Plaintiff
☐ Witness
☐ Other (specify) _____

I certify under penalty of perjury that I am hearing impaired, deaf, or have other communication disabilities that render me eligible for receipt of these services.

Date

Applicant's Signature

This application must be filed with the Access Coordinator in the Clerk's Office at least two (2) weeks before the date of the hearing.

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