

**SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
ADAMS COUNTY AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD
COLORADO
ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUDGE**

06-01

MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION OF COURT INTERPRETERS

As resources for court interpretation are limited and CJD 06-xx has identified a need for districts to prioritize appointments of language interpreters, effective March x, 2006, the following procedures shall be implemented in the 17th Judicial District in all divisions.

Cases identified in CJD 06-xx III.A. will be given priority for court interpreter services.

Cases in which interpreters are required shall be called as soon as the court interpreter is present in the courtroom and ready to proceed.


Cases shall be called in the following order of priority:

- In-custody cases
- All cases requiring court interpreters (the interpreter cases shall be called as soon as the court interpreter and parties are present in the courtroom and ready to proceed).
- Other cases

Procedures contained in CJD 06-xx will be followed and adhered to in the 17th Judicial District.

Court employees (other than court interpreter staff), friends or relatives shall not be used for court interpreting in any criminal, juvenile, traffic, and misdemeanor or infraction cases. In civil domestic and small claims cases non-certified interpreters may be used, but it is the judges' responsibility to inquire into the qualifications of the non-certified interpreter to ensure fair and accurate interpretation of the proceedings.

Effective this 6th day of June 2006.



Harlan Bockman, Chief Judge