



Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Communication Access in Legal Settings

Who we are

- MCDHH is under the Executive Office of Health and Human Services
- Offices in Boston, Plymouth, Worcester, Springfield and Pittsfield
- Contract with regional DHILS centers for IL Services
- 50 staff statewide
- 3 departments:
 - Communication Access Training & Technology
 - Interpreter and CART Services
 - Case Management
 - Children and Family Services, Mass EDP

Applicable Laws

- Interpreter Law M.G.L. 221 Section 92
- ADA Titles I, II and III
- Section 504 of the Rehab Act of 1973
- The Mass. Public Accommodations Law

Types of Interpreting

- Interpreting (ASL)
- Transliteration (English based)
- Oral (non-manual)
- CDI (language specialist)
- Deaf Blind and Visually Impaired

CART

Communication Access Realtime Translation



Thanks

for your participation!

- Questions?
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