

## **INTERPRETER PAYMENT POLICY**

Effective January 1, 2007 (mileage rate updated July 1, 2009)

The Douglas County District Court pays for interpreters for non-English-speaking individuals called before the Court as provided by law. Payment follows these guidelines:

<b>Interpreter description</b>	<b>Round up to full hours</b>	<b>Minimum payment</b>	<b>Mileage paid</b>
Based in Douglas County	Yes	1 hour	No
Based outside Douglas County	Yes	2 hours	Yes
Counsel for defendant	No	None	No

### **Fees**

1. All spoken-language interpreters except counsel—\$35/hour
3. Counsel for defendant—\$25/hour
4. Sign-language interpreters—their standard charge (per statute), but typically \$35/hour

### **Mileage**

Mileage is paid at the state mileage rate for interpreters traveling from outside the county. The current rate is 55 cents per mile. Distance is computed as follows:

1. For in-state travel: the distance on the state mileage table, at [http://www.ksdot.org/burtransplan/dist\\_chrt.cgi](http://www.ksdot.org/burtransplan/dist_chrt.cgi).
2. For mileage from out of state, or from communities not on the mileage table, the mileage determined at [www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com).