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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 21, 2013

TO: Chief Judges
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FROM: Steven D. Capps

RE: State Contract for Remote Telephonic Interpretation and Document Translation Services Available to Courts

Michigan's Department of Technology, Management, and Budget has negotiated a contract with Linguista International for remote telephonic interpretation and document translation:
http://www.michigan.gov/documents/localgov/3200150_434913_7.pdf.

The contract rate is \$0.68/minute for Spanish interpretation and \$0.75/minute for any language other than Spanish. Document translation is \$37.50 per page or \$0.15 per word. Services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Linguistica International is a qualified interpretation company pursuant to MCR 1.111 for FY 2014.

The contract is available through Michigan's MiDEAL program, which allows Michigan's cities and counties to use state contracts to buy goods and services at the state-negotiated rate for an annual membership fee ranging from \$180 to \$510 per year. While Michigan's trial courts cannot participate in MiDEAL their funding units can contract for the services with the vendor on behalf of the court. For a list of cities and counties already participating in the MiDEAL program, see
http://www.michigan.gov/documents/localgov/MiDeal_Members_22806_310427_7.pdf.

If judges or court administrators have any questions, or would like additional information or clarification regarding this memorandum, please contact Daniel Bauer at
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