

The North Carolina Interpreter and Transliterator Licensing Board

Annual Public Forum

NCRID Conference – Charlotte, NC

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Board Meetings

NCITLB Board Meetings are open to the public. The scheduled Board meetings for the remainder of 2016 are as follows:

June 23, 2016 -Board Meeting -10 am to 2 pm- NCRID Conference

June 24, 2016— Public Forum- 8:30 am to 10:30 am- NCRID Conference

August 26, 2016 – Paragon Bank (3535 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, NC 27612)

November 18, 2016 – Paragon Bank (3535 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, NC 27612)

This information is also available on the NCITLB website (www.NCITLB.org)

Licenses Issued in 2015-2016

(as of June 17, 2016)

Full Licenses 24

Provisional Licenses 32

Total issued in 2015-2016 56

Total Current Licensees

Full Licenses 330

Provisional Licenses 134

Grandfathered Licenses 58

Grand Total for Current Licensees 522

Proposed Rule Change

Due to the recent RID Moratorium on testing, the NCITLB legal counsel and staff drafted a rule to allow for interpreters affected by the moratorium a possible option to renew a provisional license.

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This proposed rule change would allow provisionally licensed interpreters affected by the RID Moratorium on testing to renew their license, while the Moratorium is in place. The NCITLB also has a subcommittee that plans to examine the short and long term affects of the moratorium as well as the decision made by RID to outsource the testing and credentialing to a third party LLC.

Who Does This Affect?

The licensees that are affected are ones that have provisional licenses that have used all of their extension requests.

This proposed rule change will address the moratorium that is happening now as well as any moratorium that takes place in the future.

What would the proposed rule change allow?

The proposed rule change would allow for a provisional licensee, in the event of a moratorium on testing by the National Credentialing body, additional renewals. If and only if a moratorium is in place and the licensee was unable to take the national credentialing test.

The Rule Change Process

1. The rule is published with the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) and there is a public comment period for 60 days. (2/1/16-4/1/16)
2. Once the public comment period is over then the proposed rule must be voted on by the Board. (4/28/2016)
3. Once the vote has taken place, then the rule is submitted to the Rules Review Commission (RRC).
4. If approved by RRC, the rule would go into effect July 1, 2016.

Recent Draft Bill to Sunset Select Occupational Licensing Boards

In March 2016 there was a draft bill that would have sunset/phased out select Occupational Licensing Agencies (OLA).

There was meeting of the Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee (JLAPOC) April 5, 2016.

At this meeting the JLAPOC invited all the OLAs on this draft bill to come and address the committee, and plead their case.

Recent Draft Bill to Sunset Select Occupational Licensing Boards

At this meeting all the OLAs that were on the draft bill addressed the JLAPOC. This meeting was very eye opening for the committee.

Due to the overwhelming amount of support for each OLA, each one was limited to two minutes to be able to speak. Each OLA had about 5 people there to speak on behalf of the agency.

Recent Draft Bill to Sunset Select Occupational Licensing Boards

It became very obvious to the JLAPOC that they had drafted a piece of legislation that would be very harmful to the general public.

The JLAPOC decided that there needs to be further study into Occupational Licensing Agencies, and what the future for OLAs looks like.

Substantiated Infractions being posted to the NCITLB Website

At last years conference the NCITLB had let discussed putting substantiated infractions on the website. The subcommittee assembled to determine exactly what to post on the website has made its final recommendations to the Board, and the infractions will be posted to the website in the coming months.

Community Events

The members of the Board are always looking to do community out reach and come to events supporting the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community.

Kim Calabretta is compiling a list of events in the community that Board members can attend. If you have an event please let us know.

Community Events

Please send an email to the central office at NCITLB@caphill.com and give the event information so we can compile a list, and get Board members out to the different community events.

Filing a Complaint

Last year the Board showed the ASL instructions of how to file a complaint at the forum. These instructions are on the NCITLB website under the heading “Filing a Complaint”.

The Board has also added a fillable PDF form to the website to make the complaint process more streamlined.

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How to File a Complaint

- All complaints must be received in writing within 90 days.
- **You may mail, email, or fax in your complaint.**

Mail: NCITLB, PO Box 20963, Raleigh, NC 27619

Email : NCITLB@caphill.com

Fax: 919-779-5642

For a complete list of instructions of “How to File a Complaint”:

Visit www.NCITLB.org

click on “Filing a Complaint”

**There are ASL instructions on the
Filing a Complaint portion of the website.**

NCITLB Facebook Page

Back in February the NCITLB created a Facebook page. We are encouraging people to like the page so they can get notifications on deadlines, workshops, and updates.

If you have an upcoming event or workshop that you would like added to the NCITLB Facebook page send an email to the central office with the event information and we will add the event to Facebook.

Questions for the Board

Question 1

Why does the Board insist that half of our maintenance ceu's be in a classroom setting? With busy schedules, family responsibilities, the cost of gas, the environmental effects of automobile travel, etc., not to mention the cost of most of those workshops, it is no longer practical or reasonable to continue to deny the practicality of online workshops. Thanks.

-Angela Song

Answer 1

Interpreting is a face to face occupation. It is important that a portion of CEUs are obtained in a classroom to ensure interpreters are engaged in their profession. The guidelines for the amount of CEUs needed to renew are in the Rules that govern this Board.

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