Section 11. Interpreters

The party calling a witness for whom an interpreter is required shall advise the court in the Civil Cover Sheet, Initial Case Management Statement, or Joint Statement of the Case of the need for an interpreter and interpreter services (specifying language and, if known, particular dialect) expected to be required. Parties shall not use a relative or friend as an interpreter in a contested proceeding, except as approved by the court.

Cross Reference: Minn. R. Civ. P. 43.

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Task Force Comment - 1991 Adoption

This section is derived from existing Trialbook paragraph 60.

Advisory Committee Comment - 2008 Amendment

This section is amended to incorporate the amendments to Rules 111.02(l), 111.03(b)(8), and 112.02(g), requiring earlier disclosure of information about the potential need for interpreter services in a case, either for witnesses or for a party. See Minn. Gen. R. Prac. 8.13.