

SUPERIOR COURT IN MOHAVE COUNTY
NEWS RELEASE
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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMENDS MOHAVE COUNTY COURTS
FOR EFFORTS TO ENSURE ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR THOSE
WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY**

The Department of Justice (DOJ) issued a news release on May 14, 2015 commending the Mohave County Courts for their efforts to provide language assistance to all limited English proficient (LEP) court users. During the past year the Court has been collaborating with the DOJ in order to better meet the growing needs of the Court users who require language assistance in court proceedings and operations.

During this review period the Court has worked diligently to: update its Language Access Plan; establish a language services complaint process; create training programs for all judicial officers and staff employees; install remote video interpreting equipment within the courthouse and worked closely with the State Administrative Office to ensure forms and instructions are available in Spanish and other languages at the service windows and on the Court's webpage.

Principle Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Vanita Gupta of the Civil Rights Division, stated, "I commend the Mohave Superior Court Leadership and staff for their efforts to provide all communities with equal access to justice regardless of the language they speak". The court is grateful for the leadership, support and guidance from the Department of Justice and will continue to work on providing the best services we can for court users who do not speak English as their first language.

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