



Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc.

2011-2013 Volunteer Application

If you are interested in serving as an RID volunteer, please complete this application and send it with your resume and a letter of interest. Volunteers are appointed after the biennial conference and serve until the conclusion of the next biennial conference.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name (Mr., Mrs., Ms., Dr.): _____

Address: _____

Phone (H): _____ Phone (W): _____

Video Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Membership #: _____ Affiliate Chapter: _____

Member Category: _____ Credentials: _____

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

RID volunteers are involved in carrying out the mission and strategic plan of the association. Below is a list of the volunteer groups which RID is currently seeking qualified members for service. Please indicate the committee, task force and/or council on which you would like to serve. Choose up to three (3) groups of interest and rank them (1, 2, 3), in order of preference.

COMMITTEES

____ Affiliate Chapter Relations Committee

____ Audit Committee

____ Bylaws Committee

____ Certification Committee

____ Ethics Committee

____ Governance Committee

____ Professional Development Committee

____ Scholarships & Awards Committee

TASK FORCES

____ Affiliate Chapter Treasurer Handbook Task Force

____ Educational Interpreter Task Force

____ Legislative Task Force

COUNCILS

____ Diversity Council

____ Deaf Advisory Council

LETTER OF INTEREST

In order to fully utilize each volunteer's experience and expertise in meeting the ongoing needs of the organization, you must submit a letter of interest which provides RID with some information about you, your reason for applying and highlights the talents and skills that you would bring to this volunteer opportunity. You may submit your letter of interest in English or ASL. Please be sure that your letter includes the following items:

- State your reason(s) for applying to the specific group(s) you have selected. Include your background and experience as it relates to the work of your selected committee, council or task force.
- Detail your involvement in the interpreting profession, locally and nationally. List your professional experience as well as any previous volunteer leadership experience within RID or within other organizations, including at the affiliate chapter level.
- Describe what you personally hope to gain or accomplish if you are selected.
- Explain how your contributions would support the RID philosophy, mission, goal and diversity statements. For these statements, go to <http://www.rid.org/aboutRID/mission/index.cfm>.
- In addition, if you are interested in serving as a chairperson for any of these volunteer groups, include your reasons for wanting to be considered for this position.

DEAF ADVISORY COUNCIL (DAC) APPLICANTS: Members who wish to apply to the DAC must also provide letters of recommendation from the following: (1) a certified deaf interpreter (CDI), (2) a certified hearing member of RID and (3) a deaf consumer. DAC applicants must submit their letters of interest in an ASL video (no more than five (5) minutes).

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

RID strives for diversity at all levels within our volunteer groups, looking at characteristics including, but not limited to, member status, geographical location and identity groups (i.e., race, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, disability, etc.), as well as area of professional experience and expertise. This commitment to diversity is to ensure that a solid cross-section of the membership is represented and incorporated into the decision-making process.

The following is an opportunity for you to list demographic information about yourself. While it is not required, this information would be very valuable input and greatly appreciated. Check all that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> African American |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian (not of Hispanic origin) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> D/deaf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hard-of-Hearing | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | |

APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

Please include your letter of interest, resume and this application form when applying. Applications can be sent by postal mail or electronically to:

RID National Office
Attention: Matthew O'Hara
333 Commerce Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
Volunteer@rid.org

Deadline for applications: August 15, 2011