**RITCHIE BRYANT, MS, CDI, CLIP-R**

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**Certified Deaf Interpreter** with 15+ years’ experience providing services to the deaf community. Expertise in Deaf interpreting, curriculum development, public speaking, training, academic research, teaching and Deaf Culture. Currently seeking an interpreting role within a thriving academic setting where my skills and experience can be fully utilized.

**CORE SKILLS**

American Sign Language Academic Research Teaching

Curriculum Development Communication DeafBlind Interpreting

Classroom Technology Training Deaf Education

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**FREELANCE CERTIFIED DEAF INTERPRETER**

*Self-Employed | Rochester, NY | August 2017 - Present*

* Smashed **communication** barriers by working with a team to provide effective interpreting services for Deaf clients.
* Offered **interpretation** services to DeafBlind clients in various medical, legal, and social services settings.

**INSTRUCTOR**

*National Technical Institute for the Deaf | Rochester, NY | August 2017 – January 2019*

* Innovated classroom learning by implementing **classroom technology** during ASL instruction, and formulating a new minor Deaf interpreting degree.
* Emphasized the artistic expression of **ASL**, linguistic formations, and cultural awareness by teaching ASL I and II courses and developing a comprehensive curriculum.

**ADJUNCT PROFESSOR**

*Gallaudet University | Washington, DC | August 2015 - August 2017*

* Encouraged modern **teaching** methods by implementing classroom technology in day-to-day instruction of ASL GSR 103 courses.
* Established reputation as a dedicated (adjunct) faculty member by overseeing ASL **curriculum development** and making relevant reports.

**FREELANCE CERTIFIED DEAF INTERPRETER**

*Gallaudet University | Washington, DC | August 2015 - August 2017*

* Demonstrated **interpreting** diversity by working in various classroom, meetings, and conference settings.
* Continuously developed professionally by attending conferences, workshops, and working with the DeafBlind team to provide effective **communication** for students.

**FREELANCE CERTIFIED DEAF INTERPRETER**

*Communication Services for the Deaf | Austin, TX | September 2014 - August 2015*

* Provided an effective and **reliable** communication method for clients by interpreting in various medical, legal, and social services settings.

**EDUCATION**

**MASTER of SCIENCE - DEAF EDUCATION**

*McDaniel College | Westminster, MD | 1999*

**BACHELOR of ARTS - AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE**

*Gallaudet University | Washington, DC | 1993*

**CERTIFICATIONS**

**CLIP-R |** RID Conditional Legal Interpreting Permit-Relay | 2015

**CDI |** RID Certified Deaf Interpreter | 2007

**ASLTA |** Certified American Sign Language Teacher | 2003

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

**Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID)** | Advisory Council | 2018 - Present

**Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID**) | Board Member | 2015 - 2017

**American Sign Language Teachers Association (ASLTA)** | Member | 1998 - 2016

**Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID)** | Advisory Council | 2015

**Deafhood Foundation** | Board Member | 2013 - 2015

**Philadelphia Chapter: Black Deaf Advocates** | Vice President | 2003 - 2005

**Pennsylvania American Sign Language Association** | Vice President | 2003 - 2005

**Buckeye American Sign Language Teachers Association** | President | 1998 - 2000