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Professional Summary

Knowledgeable and experienced translator able to work in multiple environments. Fluent in multiple languages with knowledge of cultural and regional variations. Excellent communicator able to read and write as well in foreign languages as in English. Can travel nationally and internationally for different work projects and assignments.

Work Experience

Court Interpreter – International Firm of Halley & Jones January 2013 to Present

• Serve as a consultant for international court cases by translating non-English contracts and dispositions.

• Provide insight to different culture practices as they impact contract cases.

- Listen to recorded conversations and provide translations.
- Keep up to date on laws in countries that work with the firm.
- Maintain records of results dealing with translations in order to build a best-practice manual.

Technical Translator – Compu-Exports, Inc. March 2010 – December 2012

• Translated manuals and troubleshooting guides for use by IT personnel.

• Sought technical advice for translations dealing with uncommon words.

• Maintained security protocols for proprietary software and programs in development.

• Made handy translation guides for coworkers to use for spotting important words.

• Participated in real-time translations between technical groups in Germany and the USA.

Educational Interpreter – North Radley Independent School District August 2006 – March 2010

• Translated excerpts from textbooks for English as a Second Language classes.

• Assisted teachers in making lesson plans with cultural differences in mind.

• Held seminars to teach simple phrases to English-only speaking students, teachers, and administrative staff to help them interact with new students.

• Updated older translations of material for accuracy and clarity.

Education and Training

Bachelor of Arts in Spanish Literature – 2008 University of New York Courses included Latin American History and European History.

Master of Arts in European History – 2013 Dissertation Title: Language and Trade in the Sixteenth Century University of New York

Certified Interpretive Host – 2013 National Association for Interpretation

Certified Interpreter – 2014 Administrative Office of the United States Courts

Skills

- Fluent in Spanish, Portuguese, German, and Russian
- Able to read Russian and Chinese
- Skilled at interpreting legal codes in multiple languages
- Knowledgeable in how culture can influence language

• Skilled written and verbal communicator

• Experienced with foreign language software, including Ace Translator and Stormdance

Hobbies and Interests

Collector of European antiques that are found while traveling or at local shops. Enjoy vacation spots with shopping and a beach. Frequent commenter to different travel sites and blogs offering hands-on experience to travelers new to international trips. Enjoy local outdoor concerts during summer.