

### Candidate Statement:

My name is Genaere Lowery, and I want to become your next Region East Representative. My parents are both Deaf, making ASL my first language. I grew up interpreting, and started professionally interpreting in 2008, at the age of 15. I passed the NIC written exam at the age of 19, obtained my NIC in 2016, and became a Supreme Court Qualified interpreter in the state of Indiana in 2017. Growing up in and traveling within the Deaf communities I have seen firsthand the sore lack of services for Deaf people around the country, and have lived with the impact of it on my own family. I have worked my entire life to be a bridge to that gap. I believe in the nonstop effort of creating awareness for Deaf rights and increasing accessible services, and improving standards in the interpreting profession to provide the best possible service to every individual. This is why I believe I am fit to be your next Representative.