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**OCCUPATIONAL TITLE
PROTECTION
CERTIFICATE**

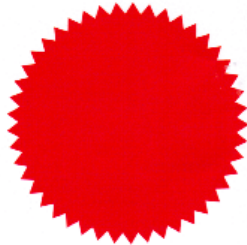
SOCIETY ACT

I Hereby Certify that WESTCOAST ASSOCIATION OF VISUAL LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS has this day registered under Part 10 of the *Society Act* with the following designations:

REGISTERED SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER
REGISTERED ASL - ENGLISH INTERPRETER
REGISTERED VISUAL LANGUAGE INTERPRETER

And the following initials:

R.S.L.I.
R.A.S.L.E.I.
R.V.L.I.



*Issued under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia,
on July 13, 2011*

RON TOWNSHEND
Registrar of Companies
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
CANADA

**The BC
Provincial
Government
granted WAVLI
Occupational
Title Protection
in July 2011**

Occupational Title Protection (OTP)

- **What is it?**

**It's the BC Provincial
Government's way of protecting
the public, when members of the
public require professional
services**

OTP Guarantees ...

- **A minimum level of training;**
- **Adherence to a professional standard of practice**

WAVLI Holds OTP Because...

- **The BC Provincial Government recognized the provision of sign language interpreting services required appropriate training and a strong ethical practice;**
- **The BC Provincial Government recognized that Active WAVLI Members have the appropriate training and practice ethically**

Three Protected Titles:

- 1. Registered Sign Language Interpreter (RSLI)**
- 2. Registered Visual Language Interpreter (RVLI)**
- 3. Registered American Sign Language – English Interpreter (RASLEI)**

Who Can Use The Titles?

- **Only Active WAVLI Members are legally allowed to use the three protected titles;**
- **OTP prohibits non-members from promoting their services using any of the protected titles**

Because Active WAVLI Members...

- Are graduates of a recognized interpreter education program;**
- Will abide by the AVLIC Code of Ethics and Guidelines for Professional Conduct.**

WAVLI Guarantees A Level Of Service Through...

- Policies and procedures for filing a complaint
- Policies and procedures for unauthorized use of title

Be Sure The Interpreter Has The Right Qualifications

- **Ask for an RSLI;**
- **Ask for a Registered Sign
Language Interpreter;**
- **Ask if the interpreter is a member
of WAVLI**

Suspect An Unauthorized Use Of A Protected Title?

Report it!

- Unauthorized use of a protected title is subject to legal action!**
- Occupational Title Protection requires WAVLI investigate and take action!**

**QUESTIONS?
EMAIL US!**

**WAVLI Professional Standards
Committee**

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