

February 28, 2010

Dear XXXXXX,

I am writing to ask for a reversal of the February 25 FCC ruling disallowing billing for calls made by Deaf employees of TRS companies. It is my strong belief that this ruling is discriminatory to Deaf people and a step backwards on Civil Rights. Purple Language Services, Inc. employs many Deaf individuals at all levels of management. Using video relay to communicate with non-Deaf employees and persons outside of our company is imperative to their jobs. Video relay provides equal access to communication with non-Deaf persons who have no such regulations on how they use their phones. Our company is unfairly impacted because of the number of Deaf employees we have. They should not be seen as a financial burden; they should be able to use appropriate adaptive technology to keep pace with the industry. Persons with disabilities should not suffer discrimination at the hands of the Federal government.

I would greatly appreciate your consideration of this issue and a reversal of this decision as soon as possible. I strongly believe the communication access our company provides is a right of all citizens.

Thank you,

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