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Court reporters and captioners available for interviews, steno machine and realtime demonstrations

2019 National Court Reporting & Captioning Week Continues to Raise Awareness About Career Opportunities

RESTON, Va., Jan. 7, 2019 — The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), the country's leading organization representing stenographic court reporters, captioners, and legal videographers, has designated Feb. 9-16 as the 2019 National Court Reporting & Captioning Week. The weeklong event will highlight the many aspects of court reporting and captioning that make it a viable profession, including good salaries, flexibility, interesting venues, and the increasing demand for more reporters and captioners to meet the growing number of employment opportunities available in the field.

Court reporters, captioners, state court reporter associations, and court reporting schools around the country will host an array of activities, including visits to high schools to showcase the profession, Veterans History Project interviews, media outreach, and more. Professionals in the field will use these opportunities to demonstrate how the stenographic machine works to capture the spoken word and translate it into written text in real time. NCRA members will also share their stories with the public about how they became involved in the profession, the interesting events they have reported on, and why their career choice has proven to be one of the best decisions they've made.

"NCRA's Court Reporting & Captioning Week is the perfect opportunity for each of us to celebrate our wonderful profession by recognizing what we do, who we serve and how we impact so many lives, whether in the courtroom, the deposition room, the board room or the classroom," said NCRA President Sue A. Terry, FAPR, RPR, CRR, CRC, a freelance court reporter from Springfield, Ohio.

"It is also the perfect time to spread the word about the many employment opportunities that are available in this unique career that provides good salaries, flexible schedules, ever-changing work environments and the chance to learn about new things all the time," Terry added.

To help celebrate the week, NCRA has made available a vast collection of resources including informational and marketing materials available on its DiscoverSteno.org site, launched to help promote the profession to high school students, career changers, college redirects, and veterans.

NCRA will also support official legislative recognition of National Court Reporting & Captioning Week and rely on its social media outlets, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn, as well as blogs to reach thousands of people throughout the week to raise public awareness about pursuing a career in the field and

the important role court reporters and captioners play in capturing the official record, preserving history, and providing vital services to the deaf and hard-of-hearing communities.



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“By taking the time to share with someone else what you do as a captioner or a court reporter, you can help open doors to new opportunities for others who are seeking an exciting and rewarding career. Just think about how you learned about this career. Was it through a family member or friend? A school counselor? Maybe you were introduced to the profession during a career day. Whatever motivated you to pursue this profession, don’t miss this opportunity to share what you do with others,” added Terry.

The court reporting and captioning professions offer viable career choices that do not require a four-year college degree and yet offer good salaries, flexible schedules, and interesting venues. There is currently an increasing demand for more reporters and captioners to meet the growing number of employment opportunities available nationwide and abroad.

Court reporters and captioners rely on the latest in technology to use stenographic machines to capture the spoken word and translate it into written text in real time. These professionals work both in and out of the courtroom recording legal cases, depositions, providing live captioning of events, and assisting members of the deaf and hard-of-hearing communities with gaining access to information, entertainment, educational opportunities, and more.

To arrange an interview with a working court reporter or captioner, or to learn more about the lucrative and flexible court reporting or captioning professions and the many job opportunities currently available, contact pr@ncra.org.

Career information about the court reporting profession—one of the leading career options that does not require a traditional four-year degree—can be found at DiscoverSteno.org.

[About NCRA](#)

The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) has been internationally recognized for promoting excellence among those who capture and convert the spoken word to text for more than 100 years. NCRA is committed to supporting its more than 14,000 members in achieving the highest level of professional expertise with educational opportunities and industry-recognized captioning, court reporting, educator, and videographer certification programs. NCRA impacts legislative issues and the global marketplace through its actively involved membership. Forbes has named court reporting as one of the best career options that do not require a traditional four-year degree, and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the court reporting field is expected to grow by 14 percent through the year 2020.

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