Stenograph
Milton H. Wright Memorial Scholarship
Empowering the Future of Court Reporting Excellence
National Court Reporters Foundation

Application Form

Applications accepted Sept. 8 - Nov. 6, 2026

The National Court Reporters Foundation is pleased to announce that nominations are being solicited for Stenograph's Milton H. Wright Memorial Scholarship, a scholarship worth more than $5,000 that honors the memory of Milton H. Wright, Stenograph's founder. Students from NCRA-approved court reporter education programs are encouraged to apply. This is a merit-based academic scholarship worth a $5,000 tuition-award and will include use of a student writer and software.

Stenograph Milton H. Wright Memorial Scholarship eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the NCRF Stenograph Scholarship, students must meet the criteria below:

- Be a current NCRA student member.
- Be enrolled in a court reporting program.
- If in a judicial court reporting program, must have passed at least one of the program's Q & A tests at a minimum of 90+ WPM.
- Have a grade point average of at least a 3.5 overall, based on a 4.0 standard or equivalent.
- Possess all the qualities exemplified by a professional court reporter, including professional attitude, demeanor, dress, and motivation, as confirmed in a separate **letter of recommendation**.

Document requirements

A complete application packet must contain the following documents:

1) Student Scholarship Application Form, page 2.
2) Copy of the student's most recent academic transcript.
3) Speed verification form, page 3, signed by the student's instructor.
4) Essay: Word count 350-425. Discuss how advancements in technology have enhanced the role of stenographic court reporters in ensuring the accuracy of legal transcripts. Highlight specific tools or software that have made a significant impact and how these complement court reporters' and CART captioners' stenographic skills. (Your full name and essay prompt must appear on the top of all essay pages.)
5) **Letter of Recommendation** confirming the applicant's professional attitude, demeanor, dress, and motivation.

Please complete the forms on pages 2 and 3 and submit all documents and essay by email to jlandsman@ncra.org.

Questions? Contact Jill Parker Landsman, Foundation Director, at jlandsman@ncra.org or 703-584-9052.

The National Court Reporters Foundation awards scholarships without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or gender.

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NAME OF SCHOOL

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

COUNTRY

STUDENT

NCRA MEMBER NUMBER (MUST BE A CURRENT NCRA STUDENT MEMBER)

ADDRESS

CITY

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EMAIL ADDRESS

PHONE

SIGNATURE

DATE

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STUDENT PHONE

STUDENT EMAIL ADDRESS

LAST SPEED LEVEL PASSED - WORDS PER MINUTE

DATE PASSED

Applicants must have passed one skills test writing 90+ WPM at the time of submission.

School representative must sign to verify last speed level passed.

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

TITLE

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