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Court reporter from Mobile, Ala., to serve national foundation
Linda K. McSwain to serve three-year term on NCRF Board of Trustees

RESTON, Va., July 25, 2022 — The National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF), the philanthropic arm of the National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), announced that Linda K. McSwain, RPR, CRR, an official and freelance court reporter from Mobile Ala., has been named to serve a three-year term on its Board of Trustees. NCRA is the country’s leading organization representing stenographic court reporters, captioners, and legal videographers. The announcement was made at a special awards luncheon held at NCRA’s 2022 Conference & Expo held July 21-24 at the Hyatt Regency Orlando, in Orlando, Fla.

McSwain has more than 20 years of experience working as a freelance and official court reporter. She holds the nationally recognized professional certification of Registered Professional Reporter (RPR) and Certified Realtime Reporter (CRR). She is also a certified shorthand reporter in Alabama and Mississippi. Her professional experience has included work in the courtroom as well as taking depositions. She has been the recipient of multiple certificates of appreciation for producing accurate, timely, and completed transcripts.

She currently serves as an official court reporter for the Sixteenth Chancery Court, Pascagoula, Miss.

At the national level, McSwain is a past NCRA Director. She also served on NCRA’s National Committee for State Associations for more than four years, including as Chair. She has presented numerous seminars at state leadership conferences and at NCRA conferences. McSwain has also participated in NCRA’s Leadership Training & Legislative Boot Camp.

At the state level, McSwain holds membership in the Alabama Court Reporters Association where she is a past president and has served on a number of its committees. She also holds membership in the Mississippi Court Reporters Association.
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Active in her community, McSwain also holds membership in Jack and Jill of America, a nonprofit organization formed during the Great Depression by African American mothers with the mission of bringing together children in a social and cultural environment. She is also a member of the Athenians Civic and Social Club.

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 and 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.

About NCRF
As a charitable organization, the Foundation relies almost solely on tax-deductible donations, the majority of which come from NCRA members and associated businesses. To donate, or for information on NCRF’s programs, visit NCRA/Foundation.org, or call 800/272-6272, ext. 126.

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 12,000 members in achieving the highest level of professional expertise with educational opportunities and industry-recognized 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. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the court reporting field is expected to be one of the fastest areas of projected employment growth across all occupations. According to 247/WallSt.com, the court reporting profession ranks sixth out of 25 careers with the lowest unemployment rate, just 0.7 percent. Career information about the court reporting profession—one of the leading career options that do not require a traditional four-year degree—can be found at NCRA DiscoverSteno.org.