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Local court reporter and podcaster is recipient of the 2026 Carl Saucedo Grant
Brynn Reynolds Seymour recognized for motivating students and promoting the profession

RESTON, Va., July 17, 2026 — The National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF), the philanthropic arm of the National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), presented the [Carl Saucedo Grant](#) in the amount of \$2,000 to Brynn Reynolds Seymour, a freelance court reporter and podcaster from White Plains, N.Y. The announcement was made at a special awards luncheon at the 2026 NCRA Conference & Expo held July 16-18 in Bellevue, Wash.

The grant goes to a court reporter or captioner who elevates the profession by impacting and teaching others and honors Saucedo, FAPR, RMR (Ret.), of Hayward, Calif., who served as NCRA President from 1999 to 2000 and continues a legacy of giving back to others.

The grant was awarded to Seymour by NCRF Trustees in recognition of her promoting the profession to others, the influence she has had in the lives of rising court reporters and captioners, and her continuous commitment to supporting the stenographic court reporting and captioning professions.

As host of “The Court Reporter Podcast,” Seymour discusses various topics about court reporting for official and freelance court reporters, as well as topics related to mental health and financial literacy. She is also a life coach and uses her skills in guiding stenographers to be the best that they can be, according to Justine Aragonés, an official court reporter from Pasig City, Philippines, who nominated Seymour for the grant.

Aragonés added that Seymour also has a wide social media presence including on Instagram and TikTok, as well as a [website](#) where stenographers can go to access the more than 90 episodes of podcasts she has recorded to date. Among the titles are “Advancing Justice: Creating Sustainable Solutions for Court Reporters,” “Leveraging Technology for Enhanced Court Reporting Practices,”



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“Insights from the Bench: A Conversation with Judge Janet Malone,” and “Transforming the Justice System with Rachel Artis in Nigeria.”

“With the use of social media, Brynn has been able to spread her message not only to captioners and stenographers but also to court reporting students,” Aragonés said.

“As a stenography teacher, Brynn helped me by sending an inspiring message for my students. She believes in my students and their capacity to become successful and productive members of society. One time, she graciously accepted my invitation for us to record a podcast about developing an entrepreneurial mindset for my students who may one day become court reporters or entrepreneurs,” she noted.

“NCRA may be a small community of court reporters, but this small group consists of thoughtful and committed citizens that can change the world. Of all the court reporters I know, Brynn stands out the most for this grant,” she added.

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.

If you’re looking for a career that is on the cutting edge of technology, offers the opportunity for work at home or abroad, like to write, enjoy helping others, and are fast with your fingers, then the fields of court reporting and captioning are careers you can explore at NCRA/discoversteno.org.

[The NCRA A to Z® Intro to Steno Machine Shorthand](#) program, a free online six-week introductory course, lets participants see if a career in court reporting or captioning would be a good choice for them. The program is an introduction to stenographic theory and provides participants with the opportunity to learn the basics of writing on a steno machine. There is no charge to take the course, but participants are required to have access to a steno machine or an iPad they can use to download the [iStenoPad app](#).

To arrange an interview with a working court reporter, captioner, legal videographer, or a current court reporting student, 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.

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The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) has been internationally recognized for promoting excellence among those who capture and convert the spoken word for more than 125



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years. NCRA is committed to supporting its more than 10,000 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, and promotes stenographic captioning and court reporting as the best means to maintain the accuracy of the record.

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. 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](http://NCRA.DiscoverSteno.org).

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