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Local court reporting instructor to serve as National Director *Jeanna Zunker from St. Cloud, Minn., to serve three-year term as NCRA director*

RESTON, Va., July 20, 2026 — The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), the country's leading organization representing stenographic court reporters, captioners, and legal videographers, has announced that Jeanna Zunker, RPR, CRI, a freelance court reporter and agency owner from St. Cloud, Minn., has been appointed to serve a three-year term as a National Director. The announcement was made at the [2026 NCRA Conference & Expo](#) that took place July 16-18 in Bellevue, Wash.

Zunker holds the nationally recognized professional certifications of Registered Professional Reporter (RPR) and certified Court Reporting Instructor (CRI). She began her career in 1994 and opened her own firm, Advantage Court Reporting, in 1998.

At the national level, Zunker has served on NCRA's Council on Approved Student Education Committee (CASE), the Educational Content Committee, and as a representative for the National Congress of State Associations (NCSA).

At the state level, she has served as a past director, vice president, president-elect, president, and immediate past president of the Minnesota Association of Verbatim Reporters and Captioners (MAVRC). She has also served on its Continuing Education, Ethics, and Nominations committees and has presented at MAVRC conventions.

From 2019-2022, Zunker served as an adjunct court reporting instructor for Anoka Technical College (ATC) and currently serves on its JRBC Advisory Board. She has also presented at mock depositions at ATC and a local high school.



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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 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 125 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.

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 DiscoverSteno.org.