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Local court reporter to serve as national leader
Cindy L. Isaacsen, from Shawnee, Kan., named NCRA President-Elect

RESTON, Va., Aug. 6, 2024 — The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), the country’s leading organization representing stenographic court reporters, captioners, and legal videographers, has announced that Cindy L. Isaacsen, an official court reporter from Shawnee, Kan., will serve as its 2024-2025 President-Elect. The announcement was made at the 2024 NCRA Conference & Expo that took place Aug. 1-3 in Louisville, Ky.

Isaacsen is an official court reporter for the 10th Judicial District Court in Olathe, Kan., and holds the nationally recognized professional certification of Registered Professional Reporter (RPR).

She began her career in 1988 as a freelance court reporter in Clarksville, Tenn. In 1990 she worked as a freelance court reporter in Schweinfurt, Germany. She has also worked as a freelance court reporter at Fort Polk, La., and for several firms including Welker & Associates in Clarksville, Tenn., and AAA Court Reporting Company in Overland Park, Kan. Isaacsen also worked as an official court reporter for the 36th Judicial District Court in DeRidder, La.

At the national level, she served on NCRA’s Election Committee in 2016-2017 and as a regional representative, and as Vice Chair for the National Committee of State Associations (NCSA). Isaacsen has also served on various committees including the Finance Committee, the Brand Ambassadors Council, and the Student/Teacher Committee. She was elected to serve a three-year term as a member of NCRA’s Board of Directors in 2018-2019. She was then elected to serve as Secretary-Treasurer until she was elected Vice President.



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At the state level, Isaacsen has served on the board and twice as president of the Kansas Court Reporters Association. She has also served as a speaker for several state associations. She is a graduate of the Stenograph Institute of Texas.

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 125 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, captioning, 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.