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Local court reporter to serve as national secretary-treasurer NCRA elects Stacey Potenza from McKinney, Texas

RESTON, Va., Aug. 6, 2024 — The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), the leading organization representing stenographic court reporters and captioners and legal videographers, announced that Stacey Potenza, CRC, a CART and broadcast captioner and agency owner from McKinney, Texas, has been elected to serve as its 2024-2025 Secretary-Treasurer. The announcement was made at a special awards luncheon at the 2024 NCRA Conference & Expo held Aug. 1-3 in Louisville, Ky.

Potenza, who holds the nationally recognized professional certification of Certified Realtime Captioner (CRC), has more than 18 years of experience providing realtime captioning.

At the national level, Potenza has served as director and as a member and co-chair of NCRA's Captioning Committee. She has also served on the Association's Education Content Committee and the Political Action Committee Governing Board as well as a conference presenter.

At the state level, Potenza is a past secretary of the Kansas Court Reporters Association. In addition to providing CART and captioning services, she is also a consultant in accessibility and communication services management.

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



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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, 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.