

## STATE OF NEVADA CERTIFIED COURT REPORTERS BOARD

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## 2021 CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION APPLICATION

**Exam Location:** State of Nevada Certified Court Reporters Board 5135 Camino Al Norte, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room North Las Vegas, Nevada 89031

Time: 1:00pm

Please check desired exam date (select one):

Spring Exam: January 15, 2021 Deadline for application and fee is January 4, 2021 Summer Exam: April 16, 2021 Deadline for application and fee is April 1, 2021 Fall Exam: July 29, 2021 <u>and</u> July 30, 2021 Deadline for application and fee is July 15, 2021.

NEW! 2 exam dates for July

REV: 6/4/21

Winter Exam: October 15, 2021 Deadline for application and fee is October 1, 2021

Please check appropriate box:

Certification Exam for Stenographer: \$150.00

Certification Exam for Voice Writer: \$150.00

Completed application and payment must be received by our office on or before the deadline. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted – NO EXCEPTIONS.

# CHECK LIST FOR COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

Only completed applications will be accepted; an incomplete application will be denied and returned to the applicant. Deliberate omissions or fraudulent answers will be grounds for rejection of application. Check List: Please be sure to include all 4 items listed below to complete your application.

Completed Application

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ONLY CERTIFIED FUNDS will be accepted as payment. Cashier's Check or Money Order made payable to NVCCRB.

B/W copy of your picture identification which you will present at registration.

Submit proof of your eligibility to take the exam. Submit one of the following as documented evidence your certificate is <u>active and in good standing</u>:

- NCRA's Registered Professional Reporter's Certificate, or
- NCRA's Registered Merit Reporter's Certificate, or
- NVRA's Certified Verbatim Reporter's Certificate
- Submit proof of eligibility under NRS 656.170(c4)(d1,2)

| Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No<br>If no, please attach all documents showing you have entitlement to remain and work in the U.S. |               |         |  |  |
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| LAST NAME  | FIRST NAME    | MIDDLE  |  |  |
| STREET ADDRESS   |               |         |  |  |
| СІТҮ   | STATE         | ZIPCODE |  |  |
| HOME TELEPHONE   | CELLULAR      |         |  |  |
| BIRTHDATE  | EMAIL ADDRESS |         |  |  |

#### CURRENT EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

| CMPLOYER NAME   | SUPERVISOR |                   |
|-----------------|------------|-------------------|
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| MPLOYER ADDRESS |            | TELEPHONE         |
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| ITY             | STATE      | ZIPCODE           |
|                 |            |                   |
| OSITION         |            | FULL OR PART TIME |

|                                |                | EDUCATION       |  |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--|
| NAME OF COURT REPORTING SCHOOL | DATES ATTENDED | GRADUATED (Y/N) | TYPE OF DEGREE/CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION |
| NAME OF COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY  | DATES ATTENDED | GRADUATED (Y/N) | TYPE OF DEGREE/CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION |
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If you hold a court reporter's certificate or license in another state, has your certificate or license ever been suspended, revoked, or subjected to discipline by a governing entity? Yes No (If you answered yes, please submit date, place and disposition on a separate sheet and attach to your application.) Have you ever been arrested or convicted of any offenses other than minor traffic violations? Yes No (If you answered yes, please submit date, place and disposition on a separate sheet and attach to your application.)

# AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

The undersigned applicant, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the person who made and signed, and now attests to the foregoing statements in the application, which I have read and know the contents to be true, complete and accurate in accordance with the provisions of NRS Chapter 656. I understand omission of information may cause my application to be denied. I specifically authorize, and request, the release of any and all information, whether of record or not, by any person who receives such request from this Licensing Board.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

You are required to submit all requested documents to be considered to sit for our exam. This includes previous applicants. The State of Nevada certification exam for court reporters is a written exam.

#### GENERAL TIMETABLE ON EXAMINATION DAY

| 12:30pm         | Registration begins and examinees begin set up in the exam room.<br>LATE ARRIVALS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED. |
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| 1:00pm – 1:15pm | Opening comments.<br>Q & A with examinees.  |
| 1:15pm – 3:00pm | Exam begins after Q&A.  |
| 3:00pm          | Collect all exams from examinees and begin breakdown.   |

Timetable subject to change without notice. We do not have control over the temperature of the room, it is suggested that you bring a sweater or jacket.

#### WRITTEN EXAMINATION

- An applicant must bring a pen or pencil to the examination room. The Board will not provide writing instruments.
- Each applicant is given 1 hour and 45 minutes to complete and submit the examination.
- A grade of at least 70% is required to pass the examination.
- The examination consists of 175 multiple choice questions that test the knowledge in vocabulary, punctuation, grammar, spelling, medical terminology, legal terminology and applicable laws, regulations, and court and procedural rules governing the practice of court reporting in the state of Nevada.
- An applicant shall not refer to books, papers or other materials during the examination. All books, papers and other such material must be placed on the floor during the examination.

#### **EXAMINATION RESULTS**

- Not more than 8 weeks after the administration of the examination, the Board will, at a public meeting held for that purpose, certify the score of each applicant who took the examination. The Board will provide written notice to each applicant. The results of an examination will not be given to an applicant by telephone.
- If an applicant fails the examination, the applicant is ineligible for a certificate. Such an applicant may retake the examination if he/she submits an application and fee to the Board.

#### EXAMINATION CANCELLATION AND REFUND

- An applicant may cancel his/her submission of an application and request a refund of the examination fee by submitting a written request to the Board on or before the examination deadline. Or, an applicant may request the Board apply the applicant's fee to the next scheduled examination.
- The Board will not refund an examination fee if the request for a refund is submitted after the examination deadline.
- An applicant who is unable to take the examination due to an emergency may submit a written request to the Board not later than 15 days after the date of the examination requesting that the Board apply the fee to the next scheduled examination. The request must include documented proof of the emergency.

The written exam consists of 175 multiple choice questions that test the knowledge of the applicant in the following subjects.

# PRIMARY STUDY MATERIALS

## LEGAL AND NEVADA LAW

- Nevada Revised Statutes NRS Chapter 656 (www.crptr.nv.gov)
- Nevada Administrative Code NAC Chapter 656 (www.crptr.nv.gov)
- NAC 372.214 Sales Tax and Use
- NRS 3.320 Official Reporter
- NRS Chapter 12.015 Indigent Litigants
- NRS Chapter 172 Grand Jury
- Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure (NRAP)
- Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP)
- Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act (http://www.uniformlaws.org)
- Black's Law Dictionary

## ENGLISH (Punctuation, Word Usage, Grammar, Vocabulary)

- One Word, Two Words, Hyphenated? By Mary Louise Gilman
- 8,000 Soundalikes, Look-Alikes and, Other Words Often Confused by Mary Louise Gilman and Eugenie Fitzhugh
- Punctuation for Court Reporters by Nathaniel Weiss
- Morson's English Guide for Court Reporters by Lillian A. Morson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition
- Proofreading Manual A Guide for Court Reporters, Scopists and Proofreaders by Peggy Armstrong
- Bad Grammar/Good Punctuation by Margie Wakeman Wells
- Court Reporter Reference by Monette Benoit
- Merriam Webster's Dictionary
- Dictionary of Modern English Usage (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition) by H.W. Fowler
- Elements of Style (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition) Strunk & White
- The Chicago Manual of Style
- 5,000 Collegiate Words with Brief Definitions Free Site: <u>https://www.freevocabulary.com/vocabulary.pdf</u>
- 1,000 Most Common SAT Words
  Free Site: <u>https://img.sparknotes.com/content/testprep/pdf/sat.vocab.pdf</u>

#### MEDICAL

• Dorland's or Stedman's Medical Dictionary

## **TECHNOLOGY**

NCRA Study Guides – www.NCRA.org

- How to Prepare for the RPR and RMR Exams
- Practice Questions for the RPR and RMR Exams by Nancy Patterson
- NCRA Study Guide More Practice Questions for the RPR Exam

Court reporting software and hardware instruction manuals

# **BENEFICIAL SUPPORT MATERIALS**

## ENGLISH (Punctuation, Word Usage, Grammar, Vocabulary)

- Writing Naked: Principles of Writing for Realtime and Captioning by Kevin and Mary Daniel
- Modern English Usage by H.W. Fowler, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition
- Merriam Webster's Pocket Dictionary of Proper Names
- Roget's Thesaurus
- James Rogers' Dictionary of Clichés
- Dictionary of American Idioms
- The Merck Manual (13<sup>th</sup> Edition)
- The Persons, Places & Things Spelling Dictionary by William C. Paxton
- Pocket Dictionary of American Slang Wentworth & Flexner
- Slang! By Paul Dickson
- Dictionary of Problem Words & Expressions by Harry Shaw
- Proper Noun Speller Emerich

## **TECHNOLOGY**

• JCR - Journal of Court Reporting Issues (last 8 years) – www.NCRA.org

The applicable sections for Nevada law are available on our website. Please click on the following:

- 1. Log on to our website at <u>www.crptr.nv.gov</u>
- 2. Click on "About"
- 3. Click on "Statutes and Regulations" and review the following:

# Nevada Administrative Code (NAC)

- NAC 372.214 Sales and Use Tax
- NAC 656

# Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS)

- NRS 656
- NRS 3.320 Official Reporter
- NRS 4.410 Compensation
- NRS 18.005 Costs
- NRS 12.015 Indigent Litigants
- NRS 172.185 Grand Jury

## **Other Rules & Amendments**

- Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure (NRAP) Rule 3B
- Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP) Rule 30