2020 CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION APPLICATION

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

Please check desired exam date (select one):

☐ Spring Exam: January 11, 2020 Deadline for application and fee is December 20, 2019
☐ Summer Exam: April 4, 2020 Deadline for application and fee is March 13, 2020
☐ Fall Exam: July 11, 2020 Deadline for application and fee is June 19, 2020
☐ Winter Exam: October 17, 2020 Deadline for application and fee is September 25, 2020

Please check appropriate box:

☐ Certification Exam for Stenographer: $150.00
☐ Certification Exam for Voice Writer: $150.00
☐ Nevada NRS and NAC Study Booklet $35.00

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
☐ 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 active and in good standing:
  • NCRA’s Registered Professional Reporter’s Certificate, or
  • NCRA’s Registered Merit Reporter’s Certificate, or
  • NVRA’s Certified Verbatim Reporter’s Certificate

Are you a U.S. citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, please attach all documents showing you have entitlement to remain and work in the U.S.

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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.

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**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. We do NOT administer a skills exam.

GENERAL TIMETABLE ON EXAMINATION DAY

8:30am – 9:00am  Registration begins and examinees begin set up in the exam room. LATE ARRIVALS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED.

9:00am – 9:15am  Opening comments by a Board member. Q & A with examinees.

9:15am – 11:00am Exam begins after Q&A.

11:00am  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 170 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 170 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, 2nd 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
- 5,000 SAT Free Vocabulary Words (free website)
- Dictionary of Modern English Usage (2nd Edition) by H.W. Fowler
- Elements of Style (3rd Edition) – Strunk & White
- The Chicago Manual of Style

**MEDICAL**
- Dorland’s or Stedman’s Medical Dictionary

**TECHNOLOGY**
NCRA Study Guides (www.ncraonline.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
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, 2nd Edition
- Merriam Webster’s Pocket Dictionary of Proper Names
- The Wall Street Journal
- Roget’s Thesaurus
- James Rogers’ Dictionary of Clichés
- Dictionary of American Idioms
- 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
- Journal of Court Reporting (JCR) Issues – NCRA