

# Ohio Court Reporters Association

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND RENEWAL

*Be a part of the organization that supports YOU!*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Professional Member:** Any person who is skilled and primarily engaged in the verbatim reporting of proceedings by stenographic machine or by voice writing technology as an official court or legislative reporter, freelance reporter, and/or captioner shall be eligible to become a Professional Member.

**Associate Member:** Applicants for membership who do not qualify for Professional, Student, Retired, or Honorary membership status may qualify as an Associate Member if they meet one of the following criteria:

- A. Any person who is not actively engaged in the practice of court reporting (either full or part time) and is a teacher of verbatim stenographic or voice writing technology reporting, or anyone connected in an official capacity with a school or college conducting a verbatim stenographic or voice writing technology reporting course, shall be eligible to become an Associate Member. Such persons need not meet the requirements for skill in the area of reporting proceedings.
- B. Any person who has been certified by the National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) as a Certified Legal Video Specialist (CLVS) shall be eligible to become an Associate Member.
- C. Any person interested in the preservation, support, and advancement of the field of verbatim stenographic or voice writing technology reporting, but not in any way actively engaged in the verbatim stenographic or voice writing technology reporting of proceedings, who is not otherwise eligible for membership, shall be eligible to become an Associate Member.

**Retired Member:** Any member in good standing who has paid dues for a period of 20 years and is no longer engaged in verbatim stenographic or voice writing technology reporting shall be eligible to become a Retired Member.

### The Ohio Court Reporters Association offers two membership cycles:

January 1 through December 31

OR

July 1 through June 30

*Membership is not pro-rated and will be established within the billing cycle received. Dues received November 1 through April 30 will be applied to the January-December membership cycle.*

*Dues received May 1 through October 31 will be applied to the July-June membership cycle.*

<b>DUES:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125 Professional Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$235 Professional Member (Two Year)
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 60 Associate Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 50 First-Year Reporter Member
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 30 Retired Member	

**OCRA Special Fund Contribution –**

The OCRA Special Fund is spent on legislative efforts and funds studies and reports in support of our legislative and special-need initiatives to protect and preserve the court reporting and captioning profession right here in Ohio. The Special Fund is not used for political contributions.

Please consider contributing to OCRA’s Special Fund this year!

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Online Reporter Referral –**

As a benefit of membership, your information is listed in the OCRA Membership Directory only. Listing includes: Name, certifications, preferred address, phone, and email.

Enhanced referral public listings are available for \$100 per year and include all of the above, plus a color logo, website listing, and brief description of services offered (\$400 for non-members).

Include front page banner ad scrolling for an additional \$100 yearly fee. You will be contacted following payment for submission of your banner ad (\$500 for non-members).

- One-year enhanced listing \$100
- One-year with banner ad scrolling \$200

**TOTAL REMITTED**     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed check # \_\_\_\_\_

Charge my credit card. Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_ Exp \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ CVC \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to OCRA and mail to:**

**Ohio Court Reporters Association (OCRA)**  
**C/O Sarah Derbin, Executive Director**  
**2274 Chapel Road**  
**Jefferson, Ohio 44047**

So that we may have an accurate record and honor your preferences, please complete the enclosed member data form and include with your payment. You may also renew and update your information online using our secure server at [www.ocraonline.com](http://www.ocraonline.com)

**Member Data Form**

OCRA lists the following information in its online Membership Directory: Name, certifications, preferred address, phone, and email. This information is only viewable to current members of OCRA. On occasion, we provide names and preferred addresses of members to approved outside sources, such as the Ohio Legal Directory and industry vendors. If you would prefer we do not list the following information, please check where applicable.

- Do not list any information       Do not list my phone number       Do not list my email

***Personal Information***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Certifications: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Began Reporting: \_\_\_\_\_

Fluent in any foreign language?: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in having a student intern with you?       Yes    No

Would you be interested in being a student mentor?       Yes    No

Are you interested in working on any OCRA committees?       Yes    No

***Contact Information***

*Preferred*       *Business*       *Home*

**Business**

Firm/Courthouse/Address Line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Home**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Professional Member Section**

**Reporting Type:**

- Steno                                       Voice  
 Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Reporting Specialty: (please select one)**

- Broadcast Captioner       CART Captioner                       Instructor/Reporter  
 Freelancer                       Firm Owner/Reporter               Official                                       Legislative

Do you realtime?                       Yes                                       No

Primary CAT software used? \_\_\_\_\_

**Freelancers**

Do you own or manage a freelance court reporting firm?                       Yes                                       No

If yes, how many reporters with the firm, including yourself? \_\_\_\_\_

**Officials** (Please select type)

- Domestic                       Federal                                       County                                       Municipal                                       State

**Associate Member Section**

**Select your occupation**

- Attorney                       Supplier/Vendor                       Transcriptionist                                       Instructor  
 Paralegal                       Proofreader                                       Reporting Firm Owner/Manager  
 School Official                       Secretary                                       Certified Legal Video Specialist  
 Scopist                       Other \_\_\_\_\_

School Name and City (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_