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### Career Path

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## Court Reporting Today

From the courthouse to TV studios, court reporters, deposition reporters, and broadcast captioners are in demand! Embark on a career that's vital, exciting, and rewarding, with coast-to-coast opportunities at your fingertips. Court reporters can work in the legal community, provide communications access for people with hearing loss, be an independent contractor, or run their own reporting firm.

Court reporters are part of exciting events and history in the making - from reporting high-profile trials to captioning the Super Bowl!

### Quick Facts

- Court reporters - including deposition reporters and broadcast captioners - earn an average of more than \$64,000 a year.
- The U.S. Department of Labor projects that court reporting job opportunities will grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2016.
- Captioning of live television programs is done by specially trained court reporters called broadcast captioners. Federal rules require captioning of hundreds of hours of live programming each week, creating a surge in career opportunities for people with the right skills.
- About 27% of the court reporters in the United States actually work in court. The majority are freelance reporters hired by attorneys to create verbatim transcripts of pretrial depositions of potential trial witnesses.
- Some reporters use a form of captioning to provide more personalized services for people who are deaf or hard-of-hearing through Communication Access Realtime Translation. CART reporters accompany deaf clients as needed - for example, to college classes - to provide instant conversion of speech into text. Reporting companies that provide this service cannot meet the demand.

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