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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

A.A.S., Court Reporting, July 1987, Alvin Community College, Alvin, Texas

Licensures and Certifications

Certified Shorthand Reporter, Texas License No. 3568, 10/16/87
Registered Professional Reporter, National Court Reporters Association, 05/05/03
Certified Shorthand Reporter, Louisiana License No. 23044, 10/08/03 (expired)

Honors and Awards

I am very proud to have received the first award ever given to a court reporter, a Meritorious Team Commendation Award, from the Commandant of the Coast Guard on August 24, 1999, for exceptionally meritorious service during a Coast Guard Hearing. I took 40 hours of testimony from 18 witnesses in three days producing a verbatim, accurate 1500-page record of the proceedings. It was under the direction of Lieutenant Commander Thomas Beistle, Marine Safety Office, Port Arthur, Texas.

Association Memberships

Texas Court Reporters Association – Certified Shorthand Reporter
National Court Reporters Association – Registered Professional Reporter
Southeast Texas Court Reporters Association - Past Vice-President
Louisiana Court Reporters Association – Certified Court Reporter (exp.)

Professional Experience

Jan – March 2021 Closed Captioning for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Community

I worked as an independent contractor for Innocaption providing realtime captioning of phone calls for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Community. Once I began teaching here at LSCO, I needed to take a step back from this endeavor.

Oct. 2016 – July 2023 - Official Court Reporter, Jefferson County

I am retired as an Official Court Reporter. I covered the 172nd District Court. Previously, I was the Criminal Rover and covered three district courts, two misdemeanor courts, probate, and grand jury. I also provided realtime to the Court.

Jan. 2005 -October 2016 - Official Court Reporter, County Court at Law No. 2

I was the Official Court Reporter in this court. We heard criminal, civil, and juvenile matters. I also assisted in the coordination of the court docket and case management.

Current Committees

Distance Education Committee, LSCO – Fall 2023

Teaching Experience

CRTR 1404 – Machine Shorthand I
CRTR 1312 – Court Reporting Communications I
CRTR 1202 – Law & Legal Terminology
CRTR 1314 – Court Reporting Technology
CRTR 1406 – Machine Shorthand II
CRTR 2311 – Court Reporting Communications II
CRTR 2206 – Medical Court Reporting
CRTR 2401 – Intermediate Machine Shorthand
CRTR 2303 – Advanced Machine Shorthand
CRTR 2312 – Court Reporting Procedures
CRTR 1308 – Realtime Reporting I
CRTR 2335 – Accelerated Machine Shorthand
CRTR 2286 – Court Reporting Internship
CRTR 2331 – Court Reporter Certification Preparation
CRTR 2031 – Continuous Speed Building

References

Judge Troy Johnson, County Court at Law No. 2
Judge Courtney Arkeen, 128th District Court
Judge John Stevens, Criminal District Court