

Improve Your Writing Improve Your Game!

North Carolina Court Reporters Association



Featuring:

**Anissa Nierenberger, RPR, CRR, CRC, CRI, B.S. Realtime Reporting
and Allison Hall, RDR, CRR, CSR**



Anissa Nierenberger: RPR, CRR, CRC, CRI, B.S. Realtime Reporting

Anissa Nierenberger has pursued her passion for captioning in three distinct areas; her proprietary software Dictionary Jumpstart, her captioning company Captionique, and as a coach and trainer in her educational programs. Anissa discovered stenography when she was just 14 years old after spending a career day with a court reporter in court. Determined to become a stenographer, she pursued her goal and within a year of graduation from court reporting school, she began captioning for television. She's captioned local newscasts in numerous U.S. markets and Canada; NBA, MLB, NHL and NFL games; state legislature sessions, tech company events, religious conventions, and more recently she's done media captioning. In 2000, Anissa founded Dictionary Jumpstart, a realtime dictionary-building software that has helped thousands of reporters improve their dictionaries and allowed them to explore other areas of reporting, including broadcast captioning and CART captioning. As an author, Anissa has also published several articles as well as books that include the Drug Speller; Simple Syllables; Simpler Syllables; A Jump Back in Time, and most recently, Fantabulous Families. Anissa is a past President of MAPCR (Michigan Association of Professional Court Reporters) and has been a member of NCRA (National Court Reporters Association) for over 25 years. She has presented seminars on realtime, captioning, dictionary building, and Dictionary Jumpstart to state and national associations.

9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

.15 credits

Stop the BS: Resolving Boundaries and Stacking

Are you tired of seeing stacking and boundary issues and aren't quite sure how to resolve them once and for all? Who hasn't? Anissa has resolved 400 stacking issues! This presentation will change your realtime world!

10:30 a.m.—10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m.—12:15 p.m.

.15 credits

Just Okay is Not Okay (released 2020)

While realtime does not mean perfection, how do you know if your realtime measures up as a sellable product? Let's look beyond the gray and examine concrete, real-world examples of what is great, good, and just okay. Just because you can read through it, doesn't mean that your clients can. Anissa will debunk untranslate rate myths and other misperceptions about quality realtime. She'll also provide solutions to common stacking, easy brief ideas and why you should be editing in a way that school never taught you! If you've felt "in the dark" regarding realtime standards, you won't want to miss this presentation!

12:15 p.m.—12:45 p.m.

Lunch



Allison Hall, RDR, CRR, CSR

Allison is a court reporter of 20 years and currently works as a freelance reporter. Allison also teaches eager court reporting students at both Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City and Tulsa Community College. Allison enjoys public speaking and has taught seminars on shortening writing styles, efficiency, the future of court reporting, how to be an effective mentor, focused practice, and legal education seminars to both judges and attorneys. Allison earned her first medal in NCRA’s National Speed Contest in 2021. Allison qualified in NCRA's National Speed Contest in 2018. Allison qualified in NCRA's National Realtime Contest in 2018. Allison qualified in NCRA's National Speed Contest in 2016. Allison is the recipient of the 2022 Steno in the City Philanthropist Award in recognition of passion, commitment, and unstoppable initiative. Allison is the recipient of the 2020 Oklahoma Supreme Court Chief Justice Award of Excellence in recognition of outstanding contributions to the Oklahoma Judiciary. Allison is the recipient of the Oklahoma Court Reporters Association Distinguished Reporter Award for 2018. Allison is a Certified Shorthand Reporter in Oklahoma, a Registered Professional Reporter, a Certified Realtime Reporter, a Registered Merit Reporter, and a Registered Diplomate Reporter. Allison holds an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Court Reporting from Central Penn College in Summerdale, Pennsylvania.

12:45 p.m.—1:45 p.m.

.10 credits

Short Writing: The Right Approach

Are you dreaming of writing short but just are not sure how or where to begin? Short Writing: The Right Approach will teach you tools and techniques to develop a game plan to shorten your writing across the board, one step at a time.

1:45 p.m.—2:00 p.m.

Break

2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

.10 credits

The Future of Court Reporting

What can each of us do to ensure the continuity of our career and profession? Only a court reporter can understand what a student goes through and their journey through school. Tips on how to effectively mentor students on their journey to success and specific ideas of what we can do as individuals to help ensure that our profession not only continues, but thrives.

Thank you for joining us today!