



# Michelle Kirkpatrick, RDR, CRR, CRC, FCRR

Registered Diplomate Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter



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- Accomplished realtime writer with thirty-plus years of experience in the industry
- Certified as an RPR, RMR, RDR, CRR, and CRC with the National Court Reporters Association
- Certified as an FCRR (Federal Certified Realtime Reporter) with the United States Court Reporters Association
- Certified as a CRCR (Colorado Realtime Certified Reporter) with the Colorado Court Reporters Association
- National Realtime and Speed Contest participant in 2012, 2015, 2016, and 2017

## Professional Court Reporting Experience

### As a freelance realtime reporter:

- Contract reporting for highly technical international arbitrations in Washington, D.C., including investment disputes, and specializing in providing realtime, immediate rough drafts, and same-day final transcripts
- Nationwide realtime deposition reporting and immediate rough draft production of many expert witnesses, specializing in complex corporate litigation: Patent infringement, product liability, pharmaceutical litigation, as well as oil/gas and asbestos cases
- Contract reporting for biannual Keystone Symposia Scientific Advisory Committee meetings, with a roundtable of more than two dozen scientists from around the world (Topics are Cardiovascular and Metabolic Disease; Plant Biology, Neurobiology, and Genetics/Genomics; Molecular and Cellular Biology; and Immunology and Infectious Disease)

### As support for fellow court reporters:

- Routinely assisting fellow reporters in understanding and using advanced software programs (Windows), apps (Android), as well as choosing, using, and troubleshooting various realtime products
- Mentoring individual reporters as well as coaching small reporter groups in developing realtime skills for certification testing, production of same-day rough drafts, and educating them about various realtime hookup options and realtime tips and tricks
- Volunteer Webmaster and Web advisor for the Iowa Court Reporters Association, 1998 – 2008
- Creation of Websites for small businesses in the court reporting industry, including the official ICRA Website, 1998 – 2008
- Served on the Board of Directors of ICRA 2003 - 2004 and served annually on various committees in the 2000s
- Served on NCRA's TRAIN (Realtime) Task Force 2013 - 2014 and 2014 - 2015 and continue to speak regularly regarding same in small-group presentations, association seminars, symposia, and conferences around the U.S.
- Served on the StenoCAT Users Network Board of Directors, 2015 – 2017
- Invited speaker for SUN, Kansas City, Kansas (StenoCAT Users Network), March 2015
- Invited speaker for CCRA, Vail, Colorado (Colorado Court Reporters Association), September 2015
- Invited speaker for "STAR Talks," New Orleans, Louisiana, STARCON15 (Stenograph Users Group), October 2015
- Keynote speaker for Pohlman USA seminar, Chicago, Illinois, "Fearless Writing," April 2018
- Periodic article publication in state association magazines and the national association's Journal of Court Reporting
- Creator of [PowerReporter.org](http://PowerReporter.org), a blog site filled with creative tools for the advancing reporter that provides articles on dictionary management, personal theory advancement, and writing style enhancement; offers individual performance coaching; and, most recently, has introduced [Rough Draft Boot Camp](#), a new approach to each reporter creating their own personal roadmap to higher learning

## Employment History

**Independent Freelance Realtime Reporter, RDR, CRR, CRC (CBC, CCP) FCRR (2014 - present)**

*Self-Employed based out of Breckenridge, Colorado*

**Official Court Reporter II (Realtime), RMR, CRR, CCP, CBC, FCRR (2008 - 2014)**

*State of Colorado, District of Boulder, Boulder, Colorado*

**Freelance Court Reporter and Firm Owner, CSR, RPR (1998 - 2008)**

*Self-Employed, Sioux City, Iowa*

**Proofreader/Scopist and Contract Court Reporter (1996 - 1998)**

*Self-Employed, Sioux City, Iowa*

**Freelance Court Reporter, CSR, RPR (1994 - 1996)**

*Kennedy Reporting Service, Sioux City, Iowa*

**Freelance Court Reporter, RPR (1986 - 1994)**

*Kirkpatrick And Associates, Colorado Springs, Colorado*

## Education

**American Institute of Business, Des Moines, Iowa, 1984 – 1986**

*Associate of Business Degree, Court Reporting Major, graduating with Honors*