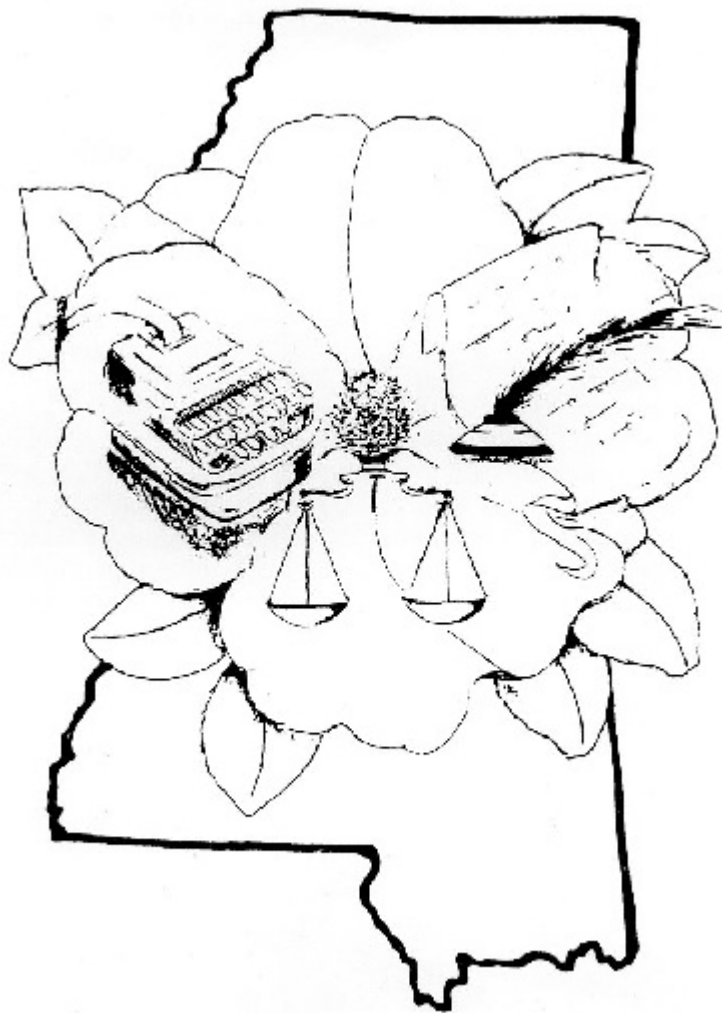


# 42<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL SPRING SEMINAR AND CONVENTION FOR COURT REPORTERS



*Jackson Marriott*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*  
*April 24 - 26, 2013*

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## ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spring Seminar and Convention for Court Reporters will be conducted by the Mississippi Judicial College at the Jackson Marriott, 200 East Amite Street, Jackson, Mississippi, April 24–26, 2013. The program content was developed by the Continuing Education Committee of the Mississippi Court Reporters working in conjunction with the Judicial College. *The Mississippi Judicial College welcomes the continued camaraderie with the Mississippi Court Reporters Association (MCRA).*

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** The seminar pre-registration form included herewith should be completed and returned to the Judicial College as soon as possible. *It is very important that you pre-register for this seminar* as guarantees must be made to the hotel, especially for the meeting space, receptions, breaks, and other functions. *Your pre-registration for this program will also assure you of receiving all registration materials including notebooks, hand-outs, and other items.*

**REGISTRATION:** On-site registration for the spring/summer seminar will commence at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday morning April 24, 2013, on the Mezzanine of the Jackson Marriott. The seminar registration desk will remain open for the duration of the seminar and a representative of the Mississippi Judicial College will be in attendance at all times. **NOTE: The first class will begin at 12:45 on Wednesday, April 24, 2013.**

***THE MJC BOARD OF GOVERNORS HAS ADOPTED A 100% ATTENDANCE POLICY AT ALL SEMINARS AND MISSISSIPPI OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND 100% OF THE PROGRAM TO BE REIMBURSED FOR MILEAGE, MEALS AND HOTEL.***

### REGISTRATION FEE:

Mississippi Official Reporters.. . . . .	None
MCRA Members (instate).. . . . .	\$45.00
MCRA Members (out of state).. . . . .	\$70.00
MCRA Non- Members. . . . .	\$130.00
Scopist and Students/MCRA Member. . . . .	\$30.00
Scopists and Students/Non MCRA Member.. . . . .	\$130.00

**Please make all checks payable to *THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI/MJC.***

**CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT:** Request has been made to the Council of the Academy of Professional Reporters (CAPR) for approval of this seminar for 1.2 CEUs. The application will be considered under the “Continuing Education and Professional Development Guidelines.” By attending the entire program you will be awarded 1.2 continuing education units. If, however, your state is a CSR state and you prefer CE hours rather than CEU’s we will award hour credits for you. There are 12 hours in the program which corresponds to 24 CE credit hours.

## MAKING YOUR RESERVATIONS



Hotel room rates are \$85.00 single/double rate. Reservations for this event may be made by calling Marriott reservations at **1-601-969-5100** and informing the reservationist that you are attending the Conference for Court Reporters sponsored by the Mississippi Judicial College ( Code: **CRSCRSA** ). For directions and more information regarding the Jackson Marriott, or if you wish to make your reservation online, please click the following link: [www.marriott.com/janmc](http://www.marriott.com/janmc) If making reservations online, be sure to click special rates, enter the group code and follow the online instructions. The Mississippi Judicial College has arranged for complimentary self-parking for attendees in the Marriott Parking Garage. MJC cannot reimburse for parking.

The hotel is holding a limited block of rooms for this seminar until ***March 20, 2013***. After that date rooms will be reserved on a space-available basis at the best available rate.

**Mississippi Official Reporters** will have their rooms placed on the master bill of the Mississippi Judicial College for the nights of April 24 and 25, 2013 for the \$85.00 rate, but you must guarantee your room with a credit card.

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## *Agenda*

### **Wednesday, April 24, 2013**

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**SEMINAR REGISTRATION**

12:45 - 1:00 p.m.

**OPENING AND WELCOME ADDRESS**

*Hon. Cynthia D. Davis, Director*  
Mississippi Judicial College

*Linda Beasley, Program Manager*  
Mississippi Judicial College

*Due McKinion, CSR, RPR, President*  
Mississippi Court Reporters Association

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

**OURS IS NOT A SIT IN SILENCE JOB**

**(ASSERTING YOURSELF EFFECTIVELY AND PROFESSIONALLY)**

You're a court reporter in a time of shrinking budgets, layoffs, less business. How do you make sure you get assigned the best jobs? How do you find your niche as the profession evolves? Nancy Varallo knows the business both as a court reporter and as an owner. She'll explore with you how to gain confidence and boost your ability to get what you need from the calendar manager, the firm owner, the attorneys. Bring your war stories. We'll include the audience in a discussion about how your situation might have been handled differently to get a better outcome. Don't miss the opportunity to ask "Dear Nancy" your questions?

*Nancy Varallo RDR, CRR, FAPR, President-Elect*  
National Court Reporters Association  
Worcester, MA

2:00 - 2:15 p.m.

**BREAK**

2:15 - 3:15 p.m.

Business Meeting

Presiding:

*Due McKinion CSR, RPR, President*  
MCRA

3:15 - 4:45 p.m.

**WRITE IT FAST**

The main focus of this course is to develop shorter steno strokes to accomplish clean, accurate outlines. Major emphasis is focused on learning rules which will enable the court reporter to work more efficiently while on the steno machine. Dictionary maintenance and development is also emphasized. Ms. Kazik will also lecture on the involvement of the human brain while carrying out the job of a court reporter!

*Eve S. Kazik, CCR, RMR, CRI*  
New Orleans, Louisiana

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

**PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION**

**Thursday, April 25, 2013**

7:00 - 8:30 a.m.

**Continental Breakfast**

8:00 a.m.

**REGISTRATION**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

**THE GRASS IS NEVER GREENER!**

*You may think the grass is greener on the other side, but if you take the time to water your own grass, it would be just as green! This lively session will take a look at living and working on the "other" side versus living and working on the "present" side! Tips to lead, build better coalitions, and live in agreement will be covered in this session!*

*Dianne Dyar*

Dyar Communications  
Madison, Mississippi

9:30 - 9:45 a.m.

**BREAK**

9:45 - 11:45 a.m.

**GANGS 101**

*Communities must be proactive and acknowledge the potential for gang activity even when it is not prevalent. Born of FTC's CEO's deep-seated passion to call communities to action on a problem that is literally killing our future (our youth) and contributing to the family institution's destruction this Gang Awareness Series Incorporates FTC's unique methodology of sharing prevention and intervention strategies*

*Marc Fomby, CEO*

**FTC Prevention Services**  
Brandon, Mississippi

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

**LUNCHEON AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

*Nancy Varallo, RDR, CRR, FAPR, President-Elect*  
National Court Reporters Association

## Breakout Sessions

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

**A. AOC POLICY ISSUES**  
*Kevin Lackey, Director AOC*  
Jackson, Mississippi

**REPORT FROM BOARD OF CERTIFIED COURT REPORTERS**  
*Tracy Graves, Administrator*

**B. FREELANCE FREE-FOR-ALL!**

Ask your questions, get some consensus answers about your interests for Freelancers. Will address contracting, payment by attorneys, etiquette for referral jobs. Anything freelance is fair game! We'll share our vision of the Freelance Committee and elicit your suggestions!

**PRESIDING:**

**MCRA FREELANCE COMMITTEE**  
*Karen Reid, CSR, Chair*

2:30 - 2:45 p.m.

**BREAK**

2:45 - 3:45 p.m.

**HOOKING UP TO REALTIME AND SENDING FILES  
SIMULTANEOUSLY TO DROPBOX**

*Are you reluctant to do realtime because of the setting-up process? Celeste will give us a live hands-on demonstration of actually establishing a realtime feed to several laptops while at the same time sending the files to your scopist so she can keep up with you in a daily copy job.*

*Celeste Werkheiser, RMR*  
Jackson, Mississippi

3:45 - 4:00 p.m.

**BREAK**

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**STENO OPS (STENOGRAPHER OPERATIONS) AT GUANTANAMO  
BAY**

Nancy Varallo will tell us about the detailed process to assemble and qualify an elite team of court reporters to provide stenographic services at Guantanamo Bay - testing, obtaining top secret clearances, selecting technology and equipment, arranging travel and housing, and wading through seemingly endless government documentation. The affectionately called StenOPS team is currently at work reporting the hearing of those accused in the USS Cole bombings and the terrorism of 9/11 that changed the world.

*Nancy Varallo, RDR, CRR, FAPR, President Elect*  
*National Court Reporters Association*

**Friday, April 26, 2013**

7:00 - 8:00 a.m.

**Continental Breakfast**

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

**A. ADVANCED CASE CATALYST TRAINING I**

*Stephanie Faulkner, LCR, CRI, CPE*  
Nashville, Tennessee

**B. ADVANCED ECLIPSE TRAINING I**

*Julie Samford*  
Austin Texas

**C. CHANGE = OPPORTUNITY**

*Dianne Dyar*  
Dyar Communications  
Madison, Mississippi

**D. Stenovations I**

*Greta Duckett, ACCR, RPR, CRR*

10:00 -10:15 a.m.

**BREAK**

10:15 - 11:45 a.m.

**A. ADVANCED CASE CATALYST TRAINING II**

*Stephanie Faulkner, LCR, CRI, CPE*  
Nashville, Tennessee

**B. ADVANCED ECLIPSE TRAINING II**

*Julie Samford*  
Austin Texas

**C. ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR BOAT**

*Dianne Dyar*  
Dyar Communications  
Madison, Mississippi

**D. STENOVATIONS II**

*Greta Duckett, ACCR, RPR, CRR*

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
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**PLEASE PRINT:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

MS CSR# \_\_\_\_\_ CSR# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ RPR# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CHECK ONE:**

Official Type \_\_\_\_\_

Freelance

**FEES:**

Mississippi Official Reporters. . . . .	None
MCRA Member/In-State. . . . .	\$45.00 _____
MCRA Member/Out-of-State. . . . .	\$70.00 _____
MCRA Non-Member. . . . .	\$130.00 _____
Scopists and Students MCRA Non-Member. . . . .	\$130.00 _____
Scopist and Students ( <b>Students must indicate school attending</b> ). . . . .	\$30.00 _____
Late fee postmarked after <b>April 1, 2013</b> . . . . .	\$25.00 _____
<b>Tickets</b> for Thursday luncheon (Address by National President). . . . .	\$30.00 _____
On-site registration will be assessed a surcharge of. . . . .	\$25.00 _____
<b>TOTAL:.</b> . . . .	<b>\$</b> _____

**Return registration form to and make checks payable to: The University of Mississippi/MJC**  
 P.O. Box 8850  
 University, MS 38677  
**Fax: 662.915.7845**

**Cancellation Policy:** Full refunds will be made for **WRITTEN** cancellations **POSTMARKED** or **faxed** by **April 1, 2013**. Absolutely no refunds for no-show at the conference.

**If you should have a question, please contact:** Linda Beasley [lwleb@olemiss.edu](mailto:lwleb@olemiss.edu)  
 Kathy Alexander [kalexand@olemiss.edu](mailto:kalexand@olemiss.edu)  
**Phone: 662.915.5955**



*Please check the session you plan to attend. Selection is not binding and does not guarantee seating. However, the number in each class will help us decide on type of room and seating.*

***Wednesday, April 24, 2013***

Ours is not a Sit in Silence Job

Write It Fast

***Thursday, April 25, 2013***

A How-to on Speed Building

Gangs 101

**Choose one 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.**

AOC Policy Issues

Freelance Free-For-All

**General Sessions**

Hooking up to Realtime

Steno Ops

***Friday, April 26, 2013***

**Choose one**

**8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Advanced Case Catalyst Training I

Advanced Eclipse Training I

Change = Opportunity

Stenovations I

**10:15 - 11:45 a.m.**

Advanced Case Catalyst Training II

Advanced Eclipse Training II

Row, Row, Row Your Boat

Stenovations II

**Food Functions**

**Officer Installation Luncheon (\$30.00)**

*Although Mississippi Officials do not have to pay for the luncheon please make sure you check if you plan to attend.*