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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **NCRA installs 2017-2018 Officers at annual Convention & Expo in Las Vegas**

**LAS VEGAS, Aug. 11, 2017**— The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), the country's leading organization representing stenographic court reporters, broadcast captioners, CART captioners, and legal videographers, today announced that Christine J. Willette, RDR, CRR, CRC, a freelance court reporter from Wausau, Wis., was installed as 2017-2018 President during the Association's Convention & Expo being held in Las Vegas, Nev., Aug. 10-13.

Willette has been a court reporter since 1985 and is the owner of Willette Court Reporting where she is also an active reporter. She has been a member of NCRA since 1985 and has served on its Board of Directors for four years. She has also served on numerous committees and task forces, and as a National Committee of State Associations delegate from Wisconsin for a number of years. She has participated in NCRA's Legislative Boot Camp and leadership training programs. She is also a National Court Reporters Foundation Angel. Willette holds the nationally recognized professional certifications of Registered Diplomate Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter, and Certified Realtime Captioner.

Willette holds membership in the Wisconsin Court Reporters Association (WCRA) and has served on its Board of Directors, including as president from 2007-2009. She has also served on many of WCRA's committees and task forces, organized its first realtime contest, managed its website, presented seminars, planned conventions, and contributed to its quarterly newsletter. She was honored for her volunteer service with the WCRA Distinguished Service Award.

#### **2017-2018 officers also installed include:**

##### **President-elect**

Sue A. Terry, FAPR, RPR, CRR, is a court reporter from Springfield, Ohio. Terry holds the nationally recognized professional certifications of Registered Professional Reporter and Certified Realtime Reporter. She is also a Fellow of the Academy of Professional Reporters. She has been a court reporter since 1975. Throughout her career, Terry has reported arbitrations, court proceedings, conventions, administrative hearings, public-utility hearings, large environmental cases, patent cases, tobacco cases, and other cases with highly technical or medical testimony.

As a trainer, Terry has helped many reporters make the transition to realtime reporting by improving their translation rates and assisting them with mastering the use of CAT software. During the 1980s, she taught at the Stenotype Institute.

At the national level, Terry has served as co-chair of NCRA's Technology Evaluation Committee and as a member of its TRAIN Committee (Taking Realtime Awareness and Innovation Nationwide). She currently chairs the DiscoverSteno Task Force.



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Terry is a past president of the Ohio Court Reporters Association (OCRA) and the StenoCAT Users Group, and is the recipient of both groups' Distinguished Service Award. She has also served on advisory committees for the Gigatron Software Corporation, LiveNote for the Thompson West Corp., and for the Clark State Community College of Court Reporting. She has extensive experience as a presenter and has led seminars for OCRA, NCRA, the StenoCAT Users Group, and many state court-reporting associations. In addition, Terry has spoken before the Ohio State Bar Association, the Connecticut State Bar Association, and the American Trial Lawyers Association. She has also served as a faculty member for the Ohio Judicial College for the Ohio Supreme Court.

### **Vice President**

Doreen Sutton, FAPR, RPR, a freelance reporter from Scottsdale, Ariz., with 23 years of experience, was installed to serve as NCRA Vice President. She holds the nationally recognized professional certification of Registered Professional Reporter and has covered depositions, arbitrations, and mediations. She also has grand jury and CART experience as well as per-diem experience reporting for the various superior court venues in Arizona. As a member of NCRA, she has served on the Association's Test Advisory Committee and in various other volunteer roles. She has also served as a contributor to NCRA's membership publication, the *JCR*. Sutton has also served as NCRA Secretary-Treasurer. She is also a Fellow of the Academy of Professional Reporters.

Active at the state level, Sutton is a past president of the Arizona Court Reporters Association (ACRA) and has also served as editor of its membership publication, *ArizoNotes*, and as co-chair of its Student Seminars. In 2013, she was awarded ACRA's Distinguished Service Award. Sutton holds certifications in the states of California and Arizona. Prior to entering the court reporting profession, Sutton worked in the areas of banking, bookkeeping, payroll, and accounting.

### **Secretary-Treasurer**

Debra A. Dibble, RDR, CRR, CRC, Salt Lake City, Utah, will serve a second term as NCRA's Secretary-Treasurer. Dibble is a 25-year court reporter veteran who has worked as a deposition reporter in Salt Lake City since 2002. She holds the nationally recognized professional certifications of Registered Diplomat Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter, and Certified Realtime Captioner. Dibble has also worked as a reporter in Memphis, Tenn., and as a captioner and CART captioner since 2010.

At the national level, Dibble has served as an NCRA Chief Examiner and was involved in the development of NCRA's TRAIN (Taking Realtime Awareness and Innovation Nationwide) program. She served as a delegate to the National Committee of State Associations from 2008 to 2012. She also has served three terms on NCRA's Board of Directors.



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In 2010, the Utah Court Reporters Association (UCRA) honored her with its Distinguished Service Award. Dibble has also served in numerous volunteer positions at the state level including as a past director and president of UCRA.

In addition, three new members of NCRA's Board of Directors were also installed to serve three-year terms during the event. They include: Meredith A. Bonn, RPR, Webster, N.Y.; Robyn M. Hennigan, RPR, CRI, Springfield, Ohio; and Tonya J. Kaiser, RPR, CMRS, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Returning directors include: Kristin M. Anderson, RPR, San Antonio, Texas; Max Curry, Jr., RPR, CRI, Franklin, Tenn.; Linda K. McSwain, RPR, Mobile, Ala.; Michael E. Miller, FAPR, RDR, CRR, Houston, Texas; Christine Phipps, RPR, North Palm Beach, Fla.; and Jennifer Sati, RMR, CRR, CRC, CRI, Dayton, Minn. Nativa P. Wood, FAPR, RDR, CMRS, Mechanicsburg, Pa., has transitioned to NCRA Immediate Past President.

For more information, visit [NCRA.org](http://NCRA.org). Career information about the court reporting profession—one of the leading career options that does not require a traditional four-year degree—can be found at [DiscoverSteno.com](http://DiscoverSteno.com).

### About NCRA

*The National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) is internationally recognized for promoting excellence among those who capture and convert the spoken word to text for more than 100 years. NCRA is committed to supporting its more than 16,000 members in achieving the highest level of professional expertise with educational opportunities and industry-recognized court reporting, educator and videographer certification programs. NCRA impacts legislative issues and the global marketplace through its actively involved membership. Forbes has named court reporting as one of the best career options that do not require a traditional four-year degree and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the court reporting field is expected to grow by 14 percent through the year 2020. For more information, visit [NCRA.org](http://NCRA.org).*