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### **Local court reporter named to NCRA's 2017 class of Academy of Professional Reporters Fellows**

#### *Sarah Nageotte becomes Fellow of the Academy of Professional Reporters*

**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 Sarah Nageotte, RDR, CRR, CRC, an official court reporter from Jefferson, Ohio, has been awarded Fellowship in the Academy of Professional Reporters. The Academy recognizes recipients for their outstanding and extraordinary qualifications and experience. The announcement was made during a special awards luncheon held at NCRA's Convention & Expo, taking place in Las Vegas, Nev., Aug. 10-13.

"Membership in the Academy of Professional Reporters is by nomination only, so to be granted fellowship is a high point in a reporter's career," said Dave Wenhold, CAE, PLC, interim Executive Director and CEO of NCRA. "Criteria for being accepted include exhibiting outstanding and extraordinary qualifications and experience in the field of shorthand reporting as well as having been active in the practice of reporting for at least 10 years. Candidates for fellowship are also required to have attained distinction as measured by such activities as the publication of important papers, creative contributions, committee or board service, and teaching," he added.

Nageotte is a past president of NCRA and has been an official court reporter for 15 years. She is currently employed by the U.S. District Court in Cleveland, Ohio. Nageotte has served on numerous NCRA committees, including the Communications and Outreach, and the Policies & Procedures Committees. She also served on the Association's TRAIN (Taking Realtime Awareness and Innovation Nationwide) Task Force and the Strategic Alliance Task Force. Other service includes as a member of NCRA's Officials Community of Interest and the Finance, CAPR's Verification, and Social Media Networking Committees as well as the New Affiliates Task Force. She frequently presents at NCRA Conventions and for other organizations.

Nageotte has served on the board of directors of the Ohio Court Reporters Association (OCRA) and on a number of its committees. She is a recipient of OCRA's Distinguished Service and Legislative Awards. She has testified on behalf of court reporters before the Ohio Senate Finance Committee and has written for the Ohio *Buckeye* and the *JCR*, the official publication of the NCRA.

She holds the nationally recognized professional certifications of Registered Reporter Diplomate, Certified Realtime Reporter, and Certified Realtime Captioner.

Nageotte was one of seven NCRA members awarded Fellowship in the 2017 Academy.



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### 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).*