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Hon. Jeffrey J. Funke, Chief Justice
Room 2214, State Capitol
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Dear Chief Justice Funke:

On behalf of the entire membership of the National Court Reporters Association (NCRA), I extend our congratulations on your recent installation as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nebraska. We were particularly moved by [your recent interview](#) where you graciously acknowledged and praised the dedicated employees of Nebraska's judicial system.

Many of these individuals are also members of NCRA, and your remarks have deeply resonated with us, reinforcing our belief in the importance of recognizing the backbone of our judicial system, something we have been dedicated to for 125 years.

NCRA remains eager to foster a collaborative relationship with Nebraska's judiciary. We recognize the critical role your court plays not just within the state, but also on the national stage. NCRA is especially keen to work alongside you in our mutual endeavor to serve as guardians of the record — a role that is more vital than ever in our current age where the integrity of information is constantly under threat.

We share your commitment to judicial integrity and look forward to your guidance in navigating these complex issues, ensuring that our legal systems remain robust, fair, and transparent — particularly as they pertain to the [advancements in artificial intelligence and the judiciary](#).

Once again, congratulations on your appointment. We look forward to working with you and your esteemed colleagues on the Supreme Court and throughout Nebraska. If there are any ways in which NCRA can assist in supporting your initiatives or if you wish to discuss areas of mutual interest, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,
Keith Lemons

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