

O-BLAST for October 8, 2010

Hello to all of my fellow officials:

I wanted to send some information out to those officials who are trying to get their CRR certification. Another option for getting certified is through the federal court reporters association, United States Court Reporters Association (USCRA). That test is offered twice a year. You are required to join USCRA, and I believe the membership for state officials is \$50 a year. Passing that certification is approved by the State Court Administrator's Office as being realtime certified. I just wanted to throw that out as another idea.

I also understand the federal test is testimony (something we all actually do daily), and there are two tests offered, one right after the other.

To get more information, you can go to the USCRA web site at uscra.org.

Also, did you know that if you take National's CRR and have been told you did not pass, that if your percentage is 94% accuracy, that qualifies to be Colorado certified? So be sure to check what your percentage was on your tests through National.

We have been notified by the National Court Reporters Association that the deadline to sign up for the November 6 certification tests has been extended to October 12. Awesome!

Also, we had an issue with National's website saying that the Westminster, Colorado, test site is full. That is not the case. If you do get that message, go ahead and register for the test in Nebraska, and then notify Sylvia Noneff and she will make sure you get to take the test in Colorado. We think this issue has been resolved, but FYI, just in case.

Sylvia's phone number is (303) 751-5688, and her email address is snoneff@comcast.net.

Good luck to everybody taking the RPR or the CRR in November!