

NEW COMMITTEE
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The ICRA Board at its meeting September 29, 2007, voted to put together a new committee entitled: IOWA COURT REPORTERS MANUAL COMMITTEE. As some of you know, the first printing of The Iowa Court Reporters Manual was in June of 2003 and it has become a valuable tool for freelancers and officials in Iowa. The manual was prepared by Mary Anne Cassel Meyer and Teresa Kordick and is “A manual of rules, guidelines, and procedures for court reporting in the state of Iowa.”

It came to the ICRA Board’s attention that some of the rules need to be updated as law is changed in Iowa and as procedures may change in the various fields, and that a committee would be the way to implement those changes and keep the manual updated. The original editors have agreed to stay on this committee for the first full year to train new committee members. Thank you, Mary Ann and Teresa!

Below is the language for the new committee and its purpose. This will be included in the ICRA website under committees.

IOWA COURT REPORTERS MANUAL COMMITTEE:

This committee shall consist of a chair and members who are willing to donate their time and talent, said members shall include the chair/or designee of the Official Committee, the chair/or designee of the Freelance Committee, two other reporters in Iowa, and the ICRA president. The main duties of this committee are to update the Iowa Court Reporters Manual as needed. The committee shall submit a report once a year at the annual convention stating (a) they have reviewed the rules; (b) have made changes as listed in the report; and/or (c) found that no updates needed to be made.

If anyone is interested in being on this new committee, please contact me. If anyone is interested in purchasing this manual, please contact our executive director, Alda Helvey, at ICRA@assoc-serv.com. We hope to soon have portions of this manual online soon in our members only section.