

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF IOWA

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**IN THE MATTER OF
IOWA COURT RULE 24.8**

By action of this court en banc, Iowa Court Rule 24.8 is amended, effective immediately, as shown in attached exhibit "A."

Dated this 9th day of April, 2003.

THE SUPREME COURT OF IOWA

By /s/ Louis A. Lavorato
Louis A. Lavorato, Chief Justice

EXHIBIT A

RULES OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF SHORTHAND REPORTERS

Rule 24.8 Continuing education requirement.

24.8(1) Units of continuing education credits as approved by the board of examiners of shorthand reporters shall be completed by each reporter in active practice in Iowa. Failure to comply with the continuing education requirements shall be grounds for disciplinary action under rule 24.11. In order to comply, a reporter shall meet the requirements of rule 24.8(1)(a) or 24.8(1)(b):

a. Obtain at least three continuing education units (CEUs) within a three-year period by attending or participating in seminars, workshops, or courses, integrally relating to the field of shorthand reporting, and which contribute directly to the professional competency of the shorthand reporter. One hour of continuing education credit shall equal .1 continuing education unit.

Continuing education activities shall be conducted by individuals who have special education, training, and experience, and the individuals should be considered experts concerning the subject matter of the program. Attendance at any approved national, regional or state seminar will be acceptable.

Continuing education units earned in any one reporting period may be carried over for credit in one or more succeeding reporting periods, constituting the three-year period previously provided, but can not be carried over to any successive three-year period.

Commencing ~~July 1, 1997~~ October 1, 2002, the annual reporting cycle shall run from ~~July 1 through June 30~~ October 1 through September 30. Continuing education requirements and the three-year reporting cycle for newly certified shorthand reporters will commence ~~July 1~~ October 1 of the year following the year of their certification.

b. In lieu of the requirements set forth in rule 24.8(1)(a), the board will accept satisfactory evidence of compliance with the current continuing education requirements of the National Court Reporters Association for retention on its Registry of Professional Reporters.

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