



KANSAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION

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SHEILA M. LYONS NEW PROFESSIONAL GRANT

The Kansas Court Reporters Association is proud to offer the **Sheila M. Lyons New Professional Grant** (\$500.00) for 2023. This Grant helps support startup expenses for a new reporter in her/his first year of employment and includes a KCRA regular membership for one year. **(*Required Field)**

***Name of New Professional Reporter:** _____

***Home Address:** _____

***City/State/Zip:** _____

***Telephone Number – Cell or Home:** _____

***E-Mail Address:** _____

*** Grant Criteria:**

1. I am a current KCRA member;
2. I am currently a resident of the State of Kansas or will be within six months;
3. I am a new reporter in my first year of receiving Kansas CCR, as verified by CCR No. _____;
4. I have attached a letter of recommendation from my employer attesting to my professional demeanor, attitude, and motivation;
5. I have also attached a sample (approximately five pages) of one of my transcript files;
6. I am employed in the State of Kansas; and
7. I am working in one of the following three career paths:
Official _____ Freelance _____ CART _____ Captioning _____
8. A two-paragraph synopsis of: **With fewer reporters in the profession, what supportive measures can state courts and legal communities implement to increase and retain reporter numbers? Some areas to consider might be investment in education, tuition/grants, journeymen/employment opportunities, et cetera. Please think outside the box.**

P.S. Gathering information today may one day provide solutions that support this profession and the continuing education of the public. (*NEW*)



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The Deadline for submission will be Monday, October 2nd, 2023. A check made payable to the recipient will be issued forthwith by the KCRA Treasurer. Recognition will occur during the annual business meeting at the Johnson County Courthouse in Olathe, Kansas on October 27th, 2023.

Name of Employer or Court Reporting Agency: _____

Address: _____

Name of Supervisor (Please Print): _____

Supervisor's Signature: _____

Supervisor's E-Mail Address: _____

Supervisor's Telephone Number: _____

Date: _____

New Professional Reporter's Signature: _____

By signing above, I verify the information is accurate, I am a reporter in my first year of employment, and am a current regular member of KCRA.

**All Questions Must Be Answered and Required Information Submitted
Incomplete Submissions Will Not Be Considered**

E-Mail or Mail via U.S. Postal Service to:

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