ALABAMA
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

ALASKA
No Mandatory Certification

ARIZONA
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

ARKANSAS
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

CALIFORNIA
Mandatory State Certification (Steno Only in the State Court System)

The California Board of Court Reporting has Endorsed Voice Writing and is Working to Change the Legislation. NVRA is Assisting in that Effort. Voice Writers Can and Are Working in Areas Not Connected with the State Court System

COLORADO
Mandatory Certification for Officials – Must Have RPR and/or CRR (NCRA)
No Mandatory Certification for Freelance
**CONNECTICUT**
No Mandatory Certification. Licensure Revoked in 2018

**DELAWARE**
No Mandatory Certification

**FLORIDA**
No Mandatory Certification
Voluntary Certification Offered by FCRA to Voice Writers and Steno

**GEORGIA**
Certification Mandatory
Must Obtain CVR or RPR before Applying for CCR*
*Georgia Licensure Exam currently being offered for voice and steno – Memorandum of Understanding offered through April 2022 unless extended or canceled by the state of Georgia.
Written Knowledge Test

**HAWAII**
Certification Mandatory – Steno Only
Tested RPR and Pass Written Knowledge Test

**IDAHO**
Certification Mandatory - Steno Only
Written Knowledge Test

**ILLINOIS**
Certification Mandatory for Officials
Grants Reciprocity for RPR
NVRA is Working with Voice Writers in Illinois to Gain Acceptance of Voice Writing in the Court System

**INDIANA**
No Mandatory Certification
Accepts Voice Writers and Steno
IOWA
Certification Mandatory – Steno Only
Grants Reciprocity for RPR
Written Knowledge Test

KANSAS
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

KENTUCKY
No Mandatory Certification
Accepts Voice Writers and Steno
Voluntary Certification Offered by KCRA

LOUISIANA
Certification Mandatory
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

MAINE
No Mandatory Certification

MARYLAND
No Mandatory Certification

MASSACHUSETTS
No Mandatory Certification for Officials
Voluntary Certification by MCRA for Freelance
Voice Writers and Steno

MICHIGAN
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)
MINNESOTA
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to RPR (NCRA) or Equivalent Certification from Another State or Territory of the US or Professional Court Reporter Association

MISSISSIPPI
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

MISSOURI
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

MONTANA
No Mandatory Certification

NEBRASKA
Officials –
(B)(1) One's professional competence to serve as a machine shorthand official court reporter shall be demonstrated by having passed an examination conducted by such entities as the State Court Administrator may from time to time designate, which tests one's reporting skills and knowledge of spelling, grammar, and the reporting craft. The skills portion of the examination shall require the reporter to report and transcribe each of three items of dictation consisting of (i) literary material, (ii) jury instructions, and (iii) two-voice testimony. Each dictation segment shall be of 5 minutes duration. The literary material must be reported at a rate of not less than 180 words per minute, the jury charge at not less than 200 words per minute, and the two-voice testimony at not less than 225 words per minute.
Freelance -- No Mandatory Certification
**NEVADA**
Certification Mandatory
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**
Certification Mandatory
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

**NEW JERSEY**
Certification Mandatory – Steno Only
Written Knowledge Test
Grants Reciprocity to RMR (NCRA)

**NEW MEXICO**
Certification Mandatory unless Granted Waiver – Steno or Digital
Must Pass RPR (NCRA)
Written Knowledge Test

**NEW YORK**
No Mandatory Certification
Voluntary Certification Offered

**NORTH CAROLINA**
Certification Mandatory for Officials
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)
No Mandatory Certification for Freelance

**NORTH DAKOTA**
No Mandatory Certification

**OHIO**
No Mandatory Certification

**OKLAHOMA**
Certification Mandatory
Grants Reciprocity to RPR (NCRA)
OREGON
Voluntary Certification
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

PENNSYLVANIA
Mandatory for Officials
Maintain a Professional Certification (CVR or RPR) or
Stenographic Requirements: 95% Accuracy -- Literary at 180 / Jury Charge at 200 / Q & A at 225 or
Voice Writing Requirements: 95% Accuracy -- Literary at 200 / Jury Charge at 225 / Two-Voice Q & A at 250
No Mandatory Certification for Freelance

RHODE ISLAND
No Mandatory Certification

SOUTH CAROLINA
Certification Mandatory for Officials -- CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)
No Mandatory Certification for Freelance

SOUTH DAKOTA
No Mandatory Certification

TENNESSEE
Certification Mandatory
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

TEXAS
Certification Mandatory – Must Take Texas Certification Test
Voice Writers and Steno

UTAH
Requires CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

VERMONT
No Mandatory Certification
VIRGINIA
No Mandatory Certification
Voluntary through VCRA – Voice Writers and Steno

WASHINGTON
Certification Mandatory
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

WEST VIRGINIA
Certification Mandatory for Officials
No Mandatory Certification for Freelance
Grants Reciprocity to CVR (NVRA) or RPR (NCRA)

WISCONSIN
Official - Graduation from a Court Reporting School Approved by Either the National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) or the National Verbatim Reporters Association (NVRA). Officials Receive a Pay Raise for Certification
No Mandatory Certification for Freelance

WYOMING
Certification Mandatory for Officials – RPR or Graduated from an Accredited Court Reporting School and Passing a Five-Minute, Two-Voice Dictation Test at 225 Words per Minute at 95% Accuracy (65 Errors)