

Which method of reporting do you trust for YOUR case?

Important distinctions between a Certified Shorthand Reporter and Digital Recorder

Digital Recorders

- ➤ Digital recorders are NOT state certified and cannot call themselves court reporters.
- ➤ Digital recorders are NOT background checked (with access to your client's private information and other sensitive material).
- ➤ Digital recorders do not have to follow a Code of Professional Conduct, which requires the need for impartiality.
- There are no standards for the accuracy of their transcripts, nor are their transcripts certified.
- ▶ *If the recording equipment malfunctions, the integrity of the proceedings is jeopardized.*

Certified Shorthand Reporters

- ➤ CSRs are licensed by the Supreme Court of Texas after a rigorous training and certification process and are governed by statutes and rules that protect the public.
- CSRs can provide instant access to your transcripts via realtime reporting, rough drafts, and expedited transcripts.
- > CSRs can read back on the spot.
- > CSRs are able to stop the proceedings when speakers are talking over one another in an effort to protect the written record.
- > CSRs are highly skilled in technical and medical terminology.
- ➤ CSRs must follow a Code of Professional Conduct which sets out the need for a reporter to remain impartial to all parties at all times.
- > CSRs can have their license suspended or revoked for unprofessional conduct as set out in statutes and rules.
- > CSR transcripts are certified and can be used in court.

Stenographic Certified Shorthand Reporters are the GOLD standard for taking a record in Texas.

Don't be fooled by imitations!