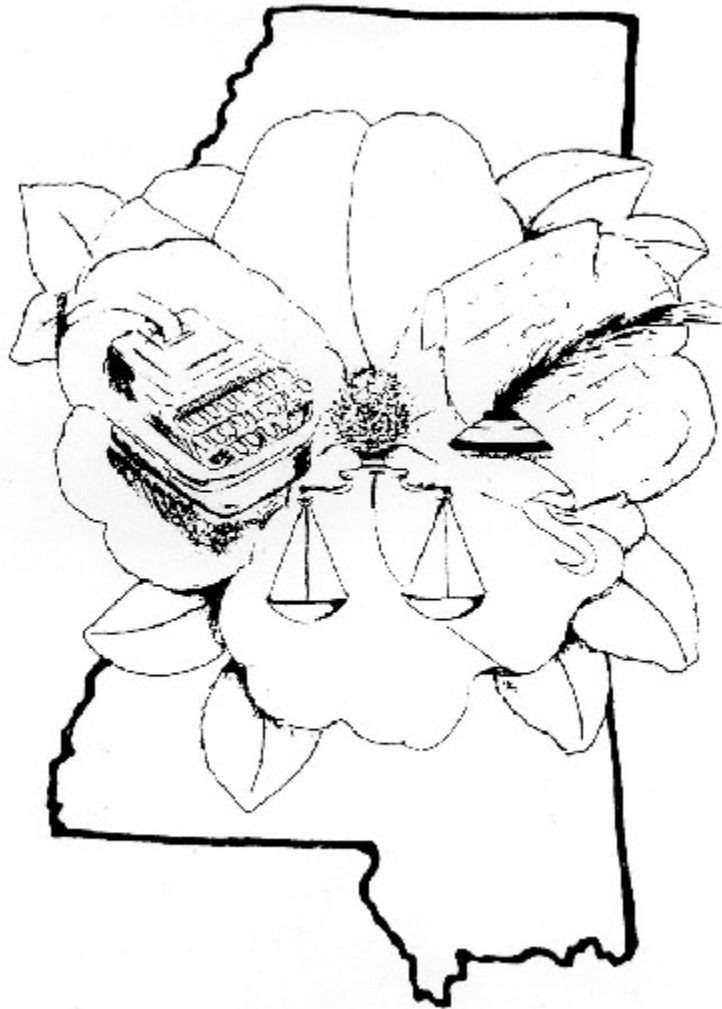


# 38<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SPRING SEMINAR AND CONVENTION FOR COURT REPORTERS



*Harrah's Convention Center  
Tunica, Mississippi  
April 22 - 24, 2009*

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# Mississippi Court Reporters Spring Seminar April 22 – 24, 2009 Harrah's Casino and Convention Center Tunica (Robinsonville), MS

*(Check Agenda for information on all presentations.)*

Keynote presenter **Anita Paul Johnston, CSR-CCR-CRR-CRI-CPE-CCB-CCP-CSP**



Anita Paul Johnston



Machine writers ♦ Voice Writers ♦ Pen Writers

This conference is for **EVERYONE**.

**Become Inspired, Learn, Network – Have FUN!**

Some of Anita's sessions are for ALL participants;  
Some are for machine writers only.

## Attend this exciting conference and you will ...

- ✓ Get rejuvenated and excited about our magnificent careers
- ✓ Learn the FOUR secrets to dealing with difficult attorneys
- ✓ Combat test nerves and master stress during tests
- ✓ Conquer fear of realtime
- ✓ Slash editing time (create a lot more free time)
- ✓ Sharpen your skills to solve conflicts, prefixes, suffixes, alphabets, numbers, etc.
- ✓ Dictionary (database) maintenance

## Anita's schedule:

- Thurs. April 23** 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. "Pearls of Wisdom" - create a great future NOW **(for all)**  
 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Master Conflict Solutions **(for machine writers)**  
 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. Address Prefixes and Suffixes and more **(machine writers)**  
 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Numbers, Alphabets, "Smart Strokes" **(for machine writers)**
- Friday, April 24** 8:30 to 12:15 p.m. Master Stress While Taking Tests, Techniques to Develop Confidence, Interesting Stories, and much more **(for all)**

## ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring/Summer Seminar and Convention for Court Reporters will be conducted by the Mississippi Judicial College at Harrah's Convention Center, 13615 Old Highway 61 North, Robinsonville, Mississippi, 38664 on April 22-24, 2008. The program content was developed by the Continuing Education Committee of the Mississippi Court Reporters working in conjunction with the Judicial College.

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** The seminar pre-registration form included herewith should be completed and returned to the Judicial College as soon as possible. *It is very important that you pre-register for this seminar* as guarantees must be made to the hotel, especially for the meeting space, receptions, breaks, and other functions. *Your pre-registration for this program will also assure you of receiving all registration materials including notebooks, hand-outs, and other items.*

**REGISTRATION:** On-site registration for the spring/summer seminar will commence at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday morning April 22, 2009, in the Pre-Function area of Harrah's Convention Center. The seminar registration desk will remain open for the duration of the seminar and a representative of the Mississippi Judicial College will be in attendance at all times. **NOTE: The first class will begin at 12:45 on Wednesday, April 22, 2008. After the first 15 minutes of any class, you will not be permitted entrance.**

**LODGING:** Hotel room rates are \$59.00 single/double rate. Please call Harrah's at their toll free number 1-800-427-7247 and tell them you are with the Mississippi Judicial College (**Code S04REP9**). You must call the hotel and make your own reservations. The hotel is holding a block of rooms for this seminar until **March 19, 2009**. After that date rooms will be reserved on a space-available basis. Mississippi Official Reporters will have their rooms placed on the master bill of the Mississippi Judicial College for the nights of April 22 and 23 but you must guarantee your room with a credit card.

### REGISTRATION FEE:

Mississippi Official Reporters . . . . .	None
Scopist and Students/MCRA Member . . . . .	\$30.00
MCRA Members (instate) . . . . .	\$45.00
Scopists and Students/Non MCRA Member . . . . .	\$130.00
MCRA Members (out of state) . . . . .	\$70.00
MCRA Non- Members . . . . .	\$130.00

**Please make all checks payable to THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.**

**CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT:** Request has been made to the Council of the Academy of Professional Reporters (CAPR) for approval of this seminar for 1.15 CEU. The application will be considered under the "Continuing Education and Professional Development Guidelines." By attending the entire program you will be awarded 1.15 continuing education units. If, however, your state is a CSR state and you prefer CE hours rather than CEU's we will award hour credits for you. There are 11.5 hours in the program which corresponds to 23 CE credit hours.

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# **Agenda**

**Wednesday, April 22, 2009**

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Seminar Registration**

12:45 - 1:00 p.m.

**Opening and Welcome Address**

*Judge Cynthia D. Davis, Director*  
University of Mississippi  
Mississippi Judicial College

*Linda Beasley, Program Manager*  
Mississippi Judicial College

*Huey Bang, President*  
Mississippi Court Reporters Association

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

**Hot Topics: Issues/Trends Affecting the Court  
Reporting Profession**

*Karen Yates*  
President NCRA  
Minden, Nevada

2:00- 2:15 p.m.

**Break**

2:15- 3:15 p.m.

**Wellness**

*Wanda Barbour Dent*  
Baptist Hospital  
Oxford, Mississippi

3:15- 4:00 p.m.

**Business Meeting**

*Huey Bang, MCRA President*

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**The Body Farm**

*Rebecca Wilson*  
Forensic Anthropology Center  
University of Tennessee  
Knoxville, Tennessee

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

**Reception**

**Thursday, April 23, 2009**

8:00 a.m.

**Registration**

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

**A Visit to the Bone Yard**

*Dealing with Difficult People*  
*Clyde Ray Weber*  
Clerk of Concordia Parish  
Vidalia, Louisiana

- 10:00 - 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 - 11:45 a.m. **“Pearls of Wisdom” - create a great future NOW**  
*Anita Paul Johnston*  
Las Vegas, Nevada
- 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. **Luncheon and Installation of Officers**  
*Karen Yates, President*  
National Court Reporters Association
- 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. **Concurrent Workshops**  
*(Choose one)*
- A. **Master Conflict Solutions**  
*Anita Paul Johnston*  
Las Vegas, Nevada
- B. **Digital Recording in the Courtroom**  
*Ray Lenow*  
Infoware
- 2:30 - 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 2:45 - 3:45 p.m. *(Choose one)*
- A. **Address Prefixes and Suffixes and more**  
*Anita Paul Johnston*  
Las Vegas, Nevada
- B. **Yoga for Your Workplace: No Mat Necessary**  
*Tara Blumenthal* **Part One**  
Jackson, Mississippi
- 3:45 - 4:00 p.m. **Break**
- 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. *(Choose one)*
- A. **Numbers, Alphabets, “Smart Strokes”**  
*Anita Paul Johnston*  
Las Vegas, Nevada
- B. **Yoga for Your Workplace: No Mat Necessary**  
*Tara Blumenthal* **Part Two**
- 5:30 p.m. **Committee Meetings/Board Meeting**

**Friday, April 24, 2009**

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

**Master Stress While Taking Tests, Techniques to Develop Confidence, Interesting Stories, and much more *Part One***

*Anita Paul Johnston*

Las Vegas, Nevada

10:00 - 10:15 a.m.

**Break**

10:15 - 11:45 a.m.

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Las Vegas, Nevada

11:45 a.m.

**Announcements & Adjournment**

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**HOTEL:** Harrah's Vernada Hotel ~ Tunica, Mississippi  
**Toll-Free Telephone: 1-800-427-7247 (Reservation Code S04REP9)**  
**Be sure to mention Mississippi Judicial College and the code**

**RATES:** \$59.00 single/double rate - **YOU must call the hotel for a room.**  
*To get a room, you MUST register prior to the hotel cut off date of **March 19, 2009.***  
*After that date rooms will be available on a first come first serve basis. There is a possibility that rooms will NOT be available when the room block drops on this date.*

**PLEASE PRINT:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ MS CSR# \_\_\_\_\_ CSR# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nickname for Badge \_\_\_\_\_ MS RPR# \_\_\_\_\_ RPR# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ RMR# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ RDR# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (fax) CRR# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CHECK ONE:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Chancery      \_\_\_\_\_ Circuit      \_\_\_\_\_ County      \_\_\_\_\_ Youth      \_\_\_\_\_ Freelance      \_\_\_\_\_ Federal  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Workers Comp      \_\_\_\_\_ Public Service Commission      \_\_\_\_\_ Scopist      \_\_\_\_\_ Student      \_\_\_\_\_ Other  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Machine Writer      \_\_\_\_\_ Pen Writer      \_\_\_\_\_ Steno Mask Operator

**FEES:**

Mississippi Official Reporters . . . . . None \_\_\_\_\_  
 MCRA Member/In-State . . . . . \$45.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 MCRA Member/Out-of-State . . . . . \$70.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 MCRA Non-Member . . . . . \$130.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Scopists and Students MCRA Non-Member . . . . . \$130.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Scopist and Students (**Students must indicate school attending**) . . . . . \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Late fee postmarked after **April 1, 2009** . . . . . \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Guest Tickets** for Wednesday night Reception (spouse/child) . . . . . \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Tickets** for Thursday luncheon (Address by National President) . . . . . \$22.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 On-site registration will be assessed a surcharge of . . . . . \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
  
**TOTAL** . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

**Return registration form to and make checks payable to:** Mississippi Judicial College  
 P.O. Box 8850  
 University, MS 38677  
**Fax: (662) 915-7845**

**Cancellation Policy:** Full refunds will be made for **WRITTEN** cancellations **POSTMARKED** or **faxed** by **April 1, 2009**. Absolutely no refunds for no-show at the conference.

**If you should have a question, please contact:** Mary Dilley (662) 902-7053  
 Linda Beasley (662) 915-5955 or (662) 915-1226  
 lwleb@olemiss.edu

**Please check the sessions you plan to attend. Selection is not binding and does not guarantee seating. However, the number in each class will help us decide on type of room and seating.**

**Wednesday, April 22, 2009**

- Hot Topics
- Wellness
- Body Farm

**Thursday, April 23, 2009**

**MORNING**

- A Visit to the Bone Yard
- Pearls of Wisdom

*Choose one 1:30 - 2:30*

- Master Conflict Solutions
- Digital Recording in the Courtroom

*Choose one 2:45-3:45*

**AFTERNOON**

- Address Prefixes and Suffixes
- Yoga Part One

*Choose one 4:00 - 5:00*

- Numbers, Alphabets, "Smart Strokes"
- Yoga Part Two

**Friday, April 24, 2009**

**MORNING**

- Master Stress While Taking Tests Part One
- Master Stress While Taking Tests Part Two

**FOOD FUNCTIONS**

**PLEASE INDICATE BELOW IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING:**

Wednesday night President's Reception  Yes  No

Officer Installation Luncheon (\$22.00)  Yes  No

(Although Mississippi Officials do not have to pay for the luncheon please make sure you check if you plan to attend.)