

# COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION

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# **NOTICE OF VACANCY**

NOTICE ISSUED: Wednesday, January 18, 2023

POSTING PERIOD: Friday, February 3, 2023

POSITION VACANCY: Court Reporter (Magistrates)

DEPARTMENT: Court Reporter

POSITION LOCATION: Dayton/Montgomery County Courts Building,

301 West Third Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

PAY/SALARY: \$23.00-29.00 per hour (commensurate with

experience) Position is full-time with benefits, including paid sick and personal leave, vacation leave after one year of service, pension, health

care (with partial pay by employee).

This position is an AT-WILL EMPLOYEE serving at the pleasure of the Court.

Please review the attached position description for summary of qualifications.

Persons applying are required to complete an Application for Employment, and submit with a current resume before close of business 4:00 p.m. on the last day of the posting period.

Submissions shall be sent to Jennifer A. Petrella, Court Administrator: 1) via email at <a href="mailto:D.R.EmploymentOpportunities@mcohio.org">D.R.EmploymentOpportunities@mcohio.org</a> or 2) submit in person or 3) via U.S. postal mail at Montgomery County Domestic Relations Court, 301 W. Third Street, Second Floor, Dayton, Ohio 45402. Only timely and complete submissions will be considered.

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# POSITION DESCRIPTION

# Montgomery County Common Pleas Court

**Domestic Relations** 

CLASSIFICATION TITLE: Court Reporter (Magistrates)

FLSA STATUS	Non-exempt	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	Full-time
EXEMPTION TYPE	N/A	REPORTS TO	Court Reporter –
			Administrative Judge
CIVIL SERVICE STATUS	Unclassified	WORK SCHEDULE	40 hours per week
POSITION INDICATOR	CE3	DEPARTMENT	Court Reporter (Magistrates)

## **DISTINGUISHING JOB CHARACTERISTICS**

Maintains responsibility for making and retaining verbatim record of Court proceedings, with such transcripts serving as the official record of the court and used for the review and appeal of cases according to established procedure.

## ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to satisfactorily perform each essential duty listed below. Reasonable accommodations will be made for disabled persons, covered by the Americans With Disabilities Act, in accordance with its requirements.

Provides verbatim record of court and in-chamber proceedings using stenograph machine and parenthetical notations of speaker identification, nonverbal gestures, utterances of spectators.

Locates and reads back verbatim questions and answers during the court proceedings and other times as the request of Court or counsel to clarify testimony provided.

Transcribes from stenographic language to English, and prepares transcripts of requested proceedings by attorneys for parties or the Court. When appropriate, uploads said transcripts and files with the Clerk of Court

Marks exhibits during court proceedings and stores in accordance with prescribed procedure and timeframes. Maintains custody of exhibits during trial and stores same for required timeframe to preserve record.

Records testimony of litigants and witnesses at their homes, hospitals or other locations when they are physically unable to attend Courthouse hearing.

Prepares transcripts from audio tapes upon request, following the same guidelines as hearings taken by a court reporter.

Prepares and uploads Official Shorthand Reporter's Certificates with Clerk's Office for docketing to the official files.

Answers telephone calls from attorneys and litigants regarding records of hearing, and other questions related to their case. Responds to inquiries from attorneys interested in ordering records and transcripts, and answering related questions. Provides transcripts to parties electronically using WinZip or like technology, and in the format as required by the Court of Appeals, when applicable.

Notarizes papers.

#### OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Swears in parties and witnesses for hearings. Performs general clerical duties if requested. Faxes information and documents.

#### **SCOPE OF SUPERVISION**

None

#### **EQUIPMENT OPERATED**

Stenograph machine; computer; printer; telephone; calculator; copier, fax machine, and other general office equipment.

#### **CONTACTS WITH OTHERS**

Judges; attorneys; Magistrates; litigants; witnesses; process servers; runners; law enforcement officers; Court Administrator; Legal Secretaries and Paralegals; Clerk's Office; Departments of the Armed Forces; other County Departments; general public.

#### CONFIDENTIAL DATA

Non-public records and information contained in party files, personnel files, mediation files, LEADS/NCIC and conciliation files. CSEA/SETS records pursuant to state and federal law. Court decisions, orders and other works in progress. In addition to confidential data, filings and other data are sensitive and may not be discussed or distributed pursuant to the Court's Code of Conduct.

#### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Good courtroom and office working conditions. Exposure to repetitive motion from production typing for extended periods of time.

#### USUAL PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The following physical demands are <u>typically</u> exhibited by position incumbents performing this job's essential duties and responsibilities. These physical demands are not, and should not be construed to be job qualification standards, but are illustrated to help the employer, employee and/or applicant identify tasks where reasonable accommodations may need to be made when an otherwise qualified person is unable to perform the job's essential duties because of an ADA disability.

While performing duties of this job, the Court Reporter frequently sits for extended periods of time while transcribing court proceedings. Employee converses verbally with others in person and by telephone. Vision demands include frequent viewing of computer screen when typing requiring close focus.

### REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

**Knowledge of:** court reporting; court processes; legal, medical and technical terminology and spelling; office practices and procedure; English word usage, spelling, punctuation and sentence structure; an extensive English vocabulary; context and general understanding of broad and technical subject matters expressed in Court; National Court Reporter's Association Code of Professional Ethics.

**Ability to**: work professionally with Judges, Magistrates, and attorneys; maintain confidentiality of confidential and sensitive information; maintain good public relations as Court representative; handle general questions pertaining to court processes and requirements; maintain confidentiality of confidential and sensitive information; serve at the discretion of the Judge; exhibit attention to detail when typing verbatim records; concentrate for extended periods of time during court hearings; exhibit good organizational skills; comprehend speaking accents, mispronunciations and esoteric terminology; take record for hearings when one or more interpreters are present or hearing is virtual; abide by professional code of ethics.

**Skill in**: listening; taking and transcribing verbatim testimony; operating computer; application of realtime software program; operation of stenographic machine; maintaining court records; application of computer technology to code and cross-reference official records; communicate effectively in both verbal and written form; operating general office equipment and software.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

An appropriate combination of education, training, course work and experience may qualify an applicant. Successful applicants will demonstrate required knowledge, skills, and abilities, including: producing any documentation of course work and/or degree in court reporting from a qualified court reporting school, or continuing education in the field; ability to demonstrate the skill on the applicant's own stenographic machine and typing on a computer keyboard.

Ability to document identity and employment eligibility within three (3) days of original appointment as a condition of employment in compliance with Immigration Reform and Control Act requirements.

## LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Certificate of graduation, or near completion from a qualified Court Reporting School; Notary Public, National or Ohio Court Reporter Association (NCRA / OCRA) membership a plus.

This job description in no manner states or implies that these are the only duties and responsibilities to be performed by the employee filling this position, who will be required to follow instructions and perform any duties required by the employee's supervisor or designee.

The provisions of this job description do not constitute a contract, expressed or implied and any provision contained in this description may be modified or revoked without notice.