**Iowa Court Reporters Association (ICRA)**

**Mary L. Brown Scholarship**

**For Persons Enrolling in Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Court Reporting or Captioning Program**

* $1,000 Scholarship
* Must be enrolled as a Realtime Reporting Major in either Judicial or Captioning/CART Services
* Based on grades, community, and school activities
* Must attend Des Moines Area Community College
* Must complete a 250-word essay
* Must submit one letter of recommendation

**DEADLINE: Application must be received by   
March 31, 2023**

Mary Louise Brown, CSR, was an official court reporter in District Court for 32 years and was one of the last court reporters to utilize Gregg Shorthand and its updated courtroom theory, Diamond Jubilee Shorthand, in her work in the courtroom – using a pen. Mary was active in both the Iowa Shorthand Reporters Association and in the National Shorthand Reporters Association. She donated her time, talents, and money to the promotion of court reporters, their examinations, and the pursuit of continuing education. Because of her loyalty, devotion, professionalism, and excellence in the practice of verbatim shorthand reporting for 32 years in the District Court of the State of Iowa, ICRA has a strong and outstanding history of service – not only in Iowa, but nationwide. Mary was a strong supporter of court reporting students, new reporters, and experienced reporters alike. She would be very proud to know that her legacy continues with this student scholarship.

Submit completed applications to:

*ICRA c/o Megan Sankey, Vice President*

*5267 80th Avenue, Alta, IA 51002*

*P: 712-730-0581*

*meganspick85@gmail.com***Iowa Court Reporters Association (ICRA)**

**Mary L. Brown Scholarship Application**

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High School Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

DMACC Enrollment Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Home Town: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

High School Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Activities and Community involvement (e.g., volunteer work)

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Do you have a part- or full-time job? If yes, state job and briefly explain your job duties.

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**On an additional sheet, type approximately 250 words on the topic “What being a court reporter, captioner, or CART provider will mean to me.”**

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The Mary L. Brown Scholarship is an award of $1,000; $500 to be paid upon commencement of schooling in a reporting-related field, and $500 to be paid 12 months later, as long as the recipient’s course of study remains in a reporting major.

A committee comprised of the freelance and official directors of the Iowa Court Reporters Association Executive Board will determine the scholarship recipient. The recipient will be honored at the ICRA Annual Convention Awards Luncheon held in June.