

Illinois Department of Professional Regulation

Certified Shorthand Reporters Board

Date: September 29, 2006

Time: 10:44 A.M.

Location: Chicago office, Suite 9-171A Conference Room

Board Members Present: Judith Lehman, Kent Evans, Nancy Hopp, Melanie Jakus, Donna Urlaub, and Barbara Wichmann

Staff Present: Mary Jo Southard, Janelle Bartletti and Judy Vargas

Also Present: Ron Rogers, Ph.D., Psychometrician
 Gail Abraham, Sr. District Sales Manager, Stenograph, L.L.C.
 Linda Hudson, representing Pro CAT
 Bonni Shuttleworth, ILCRA board member and NCRA Chief Examiner

Topic	Discussion	Action
Presentation and discussion of CAT (Computer Aided Transcripts)	Presentations were made by Ron Rogers, Ph.D., Psychometrician; Linda Hudson, representing Pro CAT; and, Gail Abraham, Senior District Sales Manager, Stenograph, L.L.C. The discussion centered on the introduction of Computer Aided Transcripts into the licensure examination environment in Illinois. Dr. Rogers expressed concern regarding the memory involved with the CAT and stated that it could compromise the examination if a candidate saved the examination. Linda Hudson, Pro Cat representative, stated the software to erase the examination from memory can be downloaded from the company free of charge. Further research regarding security issues need to be	No formal action taken.

Presentation and discussion of CAT (Computer Aided Transcripts) [Continued]	<p>accomplished prior to the introduction of CAT into the Illinois examination process.</p> <p>The Board discussed the possibility of reinstating the Pre-Qualifying Examination and concluded that they are in favor of the Pre-Qualifying Examination.</p>	
Chairman Time	Waiver of CE Requirements was removed from the agenda by the Chairman.	
Old Business	Chairperson Lehman updated the Board on a disciplinary matter that was successfully resolved with the cooperation of the respondent.	
New Business		The Board unanimously approved the June 2, 2006 minutes with the following revision: under Old Business change the wording to CAT and paperless writers.
Adjournment	No further discussion	The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.