

**In the Iowa Supreme Court**

<b>Request for Public Comment on Proposed Amendments to Chapter 46 of the Iowa Court Rules, Rules of the Board of Examiners of Shorthand Reporters</b>	<b>Order</b>
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The director of the office of professional regulation has made recommendations to the Iowa Supreme Court for revisions to chapter 46 of the Iowa Court Rules. The proposed revisions expand the definition of “certified shorthand reporters” to include shorthand reporters who use stenomask reporting. Such reporters would be subject to the same skill and knowledge requirements as stenomachine reporters.

The supreme court has reviewed the proposed revisions; before taking further action, the court seeks public comment on the proposed revisions. The supreme court has not approved the proposed rule revisions; rather, the court seeks public comment before taking further action. The supreme court’s request for public comment does not imply that the court will adopt any proposed rules without further consideration.

A redline of the proposed rule revisions and a memo prepared by the director of the office of professional regulation summarizing the proposed revisions are provided with this order and may be found on the Iowa Judicial Branch website at: <http://www.iowacourts.gov/iowa-courts/supreme-court/orders/>. In addition, copies are available at the office of the Clerk of the Iowa Supreme Court.

Any interested organization, agency, or person may submit written comments. Comments about a proposed rule must refer to the specific rule number and line number (for example, “rule 46.2(1), lines 7–10”). Comments sent by email must be sent to **rules.comments@iowacourts.gov**, must state “**Chapter 46 Amendments**” in the subject line of the email, and must be sent **as an attachment to the email in Microsoft Word format**. Comments may be

delivered in person or mailed to the Clerk of the Supreme Court, 1111 East Court Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

Any comments received may be posted on the Iowa Judicial Branch website.

**The deadline for submitting comments is 4:30 p.m. on August 29, 2023.**

Dated this 30th day of June, 2023.

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