

From: [Kristine Wesner](#)
To: [RulesCommittee](#)
Subject: RE: Illinois Supreme Court Rule 207(a), Signing and Filing Depositions
Date: Thursday, September 29, 2022 10:39:47 PM

Good evening,

Thank you for taking the time to consider our opposition.

As a court reporter, most of our work consists of transcribing the exchange accurately and producing a transcript for legal use in future proceedings. Without the time, work, and effort put forth into producing and perfecting that transcript, testimony would be inaccurate or missing, cases could run into other legal consequences, and trials could continue indefinitely. As our bread and butter, the transcript is our final work product – one that should be rightfully compensated for. It would be considered unreasonable for an attorney to draft two separate sets of similar estate planning documents without being compensated for their time; why is a court reporter’s work and work product any different? There should not be any sort of partiality on the part of the court reporter, and thus supplying a “free of charge” transcript to a deponent can be interpreted as such. To avoid creating more problems than already considered, why implement something new when this aspect was not broken?

Please reconsider this rule as it deeply effects an already difficult situation for court reporters of Illinois. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Kristine Wesner, CVR

From: RulesCommittee <RulesCommittee@IllinoisCourts.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2022 9:48 a.m.
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Written comments must be submitted via email to rulescommittee@illinoiscourts.gov no later than 12:00 pm on Friday, September 30, 2022.

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From: Kristine Wesner <kristine@thesonder.us>

Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 3:21 PM

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Subject: Illinois Supreme Court Rule 207(a), Signing and Filing Depositions

Good afternoon,

My name is Kristine Wesner, a court reporter, and I am writing to express that I am in opposition of this potential rule change. I will be submitting a written comment regarding my opposition, along with many other shorthand reporters, by Friday, September 30th.

Thank you for your consideration and have a good week.

Sincerely,

Kristine Wesner, CVR