Procedures for Digital Recording of Criminal Court Proceedings

ALL COURT REPORTERS

- All proceedings shall be saved (burned) to the recording file on the hard drive of the computer and also to a CD-R or DVD-R. This CD-R or DVD-R shall be considered the original recording.
- At the end of each day's proceedings, the reporter shall verify that the saving/burning of the proceedings has been successful by initiating playback of the audio recording and the CD-R or DVD-R.
- A new CD-R or DVD-R should be used each day, regardless of whether
 or not the previous CD-R or DVD-R used was completely filled. Additional
 CD's or other AOC-approved storage media may be utilized for
 transcription purposes. (Please contact the AOC for approval of storage
 media other than CD's.)

SUBSTITUTE COURT REPORTERS

• The original CD-R or DVD-R shall be provided immediately to the trial court clerk or filed in a location designated by the clerk.

REGULARLY DESIGNATED REPORTERS

• On the last work days in March, June, September, and December of every year, or as close to that date as possible, the regularly designated reporter shall delete from the hard drive of the recording system computer all proceedings that have been saved to a CD-R or DVD-R and previously filed with the clerk of court or in the designated location. This should be done only after it has been verified that the recordings of the proceedings have been saved successfully. If there is more than one regularly designated reporter for a district or a courtroom, it should be determined well in advance who will be the responsible party to perform this task for each courtroom in the district.

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