

WHAT HAS NCRA DONE FOR CAPTIONERS TIMELINE

1979

Federal government formed a non-profit, the National Captioning Institute, charged with the mission of making closed captioning a reality.

Early 1980s

CAT Committee educated NCRA members on the possibility of captioning. Few believed 98 percent accuracy was possible to achieve in reporting anything, let alone a live news broadcast.

First realtime courtroom show-cased as the Courtroom of the Future

While private organizations were working to overcome the barriers created by technology, then-NSRA was educating members on using computer-aided transcription (CAT). CART and captioning were becoming hot topics

1985

1992 **First realtime training conference**

1995

The National Court Reporter Foundation promotes CART through grants to organizations of people with hearing loss.

1996

NCRA Convention keynote speaker encouraged members to upgrade their skills to serve the Deaf and hard-of-hearing communities.

2000s

NCRA has helped generate more than \$10 million in federal funding for realtime training programs across the country since 2000

2007

NCRA's Government Relations department actively monitors legislation around the country that will affect the court reporting and captioning professions

2015

CBC and CCP certifications merged to create Certified Realtime Captioner (CRC)

NCRA published *CART Provider's Manual*

2005

NCRA worked with the Society of Broadcast Engineers to move captioning from POTS to IP delivery for caption encoders

1982

Joe Karlovits provide the first CART ever for deaf attorney Michael A. Chatoff, Esq., in the *Board of Education v. Amy Rowley*, a critically important deaf education case, before the U.S. Supreme Court.

ACADEMY AWARDS

was the first televised show to include closed captioning.

ABC World News Tonight was the first regularly scheduled program to be realtime captioned

NCRA country-wide two-day realtime training for members

NCRA develops strategic alliances with the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Alliance, Coalition of Organizations for Accessible Technology, and the Congressional Hearing Health Caucus

1990s

1998

FIRST NCRA LEGISLATIVE BOOT CAMP

NCRA convention include presentation on "How to train to become a captioner"

NCRA formed task forces for CART and CAPTIONING

1999

1992

FIRST CERTIFIED REALTIME EXAMINATION GIVEN

2003

Certified Broadcast Captioner and Certified CART Provider certifications debuted

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CART Boot Camps debuted

2009

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Training for Realtime Writers Grant programs created to train more captioners to meet the needs of an estimated 48 million Americans who were Deaf or hard-of-hearing

2015

NCRA appointed as representative on the FCC's Disability Advisory Committee; Reappointed in 2017

2017

NCRA UPDATED THE CAPTIONERS CODE OF PROFESSIONAL ETHICS