

RULE 9.2  
VERBATIM REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

(a) Transcription and Statement of Arrangements. If the party seeking review intends to provide a verbatim report of proceedings, the party should arrange for transcription of and payment for an original and one copy of the verbatim report of proceedings within 30 days after the notice of appeal was filed or discretionary review was granted. If the proceeding being reviewed was recorded on videotape, transcription of the videotapes shall be completed by a court-approved transcriber in accordance with procedures developed by the Office of the Administrator for the Courts. Copies of these procedures are available at the court administrator's office in each county where there is a courtroom that videotapes proceedings or through the Office of the Administrator for the Courts. The party seeking review must file with the appellate court and serve on all parties of record and all named court reporters a statement that arrangements have been made for the transcription of the report and file proof of service with the appellate court. The statement must be filed within 30 days after the notice of appeal was filed or discretionary review was granted. The party must indicate the date that the report of proceedings was ordered, the financial arrangements which have been made for payment of transcription costs, the name of each court reporter or other person authorized to prepare a verbatim report of proceedings who will be preparing the transcript, the hearing dates, and the trial court judge. If the party seeking review does not intend to provide a verbatim report of proceedings, a statement to that effect should be filed in lieu of a statement of arrangements within 30 days after the notice of appeal was filed or discretionary review was granted and served on all parties of record.

(b) Content. A party should arrange for the transcription of all those portions of the verbatim report of proceedings necessary to present the issues raised on review. A verbatim report of proceedings provided at public expense will not include the voir dire examination or opening statement unless so ordered by the trial court. If the party seeking review intends to urge that a verdict or finding of fact is not supported by the evidence, the party should include in the record all evidence relevant to the disputed verdict or finding. If the party seeking review intends to urge that the court erred in giving or failing to give an instruction, the party should include in the record all of the instructions given, the relevant instructions proposed, the party's objections to the instructions given, and the court's ruling on the objections.

(c) Notice of Partial Report of Proceedings and Issues. If a party seeking review arranges for less than all of the verbatim report of proceedings, the party should include in the statement of arrangements a statement of the issues the party intends to present on review. Any other party who wishes to add to the verbatim report of proceedings should within 10 days after service of the statement of arrangements file and serve on all other parties and the court reporter a designation of additional parts of the verbatim report of proceedings and file proof of service with the appellate court. If the party seeking review refuses to provide the additional parts of the verbatim report of proceedings, the party seeking the additional parts may provide them at the party's own expense or apply to the trial court for an order requiring the party seeking review to pay for the additional parts of the verbatim report of proceedings.

(d) Payment of Expenses. If a party fails to make arrangements for payment of the costs of the verbatim report of proceedings at the time the verbatim report of proceedings is ordered, the party may be subject to sanctions as provided in rule 18.9.

(e) Title Page and Table of Contents. The court reporter or other authorized transcriber shall include at the beginning of each volume of the verbatim report of proceedings a title page and a table of contents.

(1) The title page should include the following:

(A) Case name,

(B) Trial court and appellate cause numbers,

(C) Date(s) of hearings,

(D) Trial court judge(s),

(E) Names of attorneys at trial,

(F) Name, business address and telephone number of each court reporter or other authorized transcriber.

(2) The table of contents shall follow the title page and shall indicate, under the headings listed below, the pages where the following appear:

- (A) Proceedings. The beginning of each proceeding and the nature of that proceeding;
- (B) Testimony. The testimony of each witness, the page where it begins, and the type of examination, i.e., direct, cross, re-direct, re-cross, and the page where the plaintiff rests and the defendant rests;
- (C) Exhibits. The admission into evidence of exhibits and depositions;
- (D) Argument. The pages where opening statements occur, except as otherwise provided in rule 9.2(b) for verbatim reports of proceedings provided at public expense, and the pages where closing arguments occur;
- (E) Instructions. All instructions proposed and given. Any other events should be listed under a suitable heading which would help the reviewing court locate separate parts of the verbatim report of proceedings.
- (F) Multiple Days. If a volume includes hearings from more than one day, there shall be a separate table of contents for each day.

(f) Form

(1) Generally. The verbatim report of proceedings shall be on 8-1/2-by 11-inch paper. Margins shall be lined 1-3/8 inches from the left and 5/8 inches from the right side of each page. Indentations from the left lined margin should be: 1 space for "Q" and "A"; 5 spaces for the body of the testimony; 8 spaces for commencement of a paragraph; and 10 spaces for quoted authority. Typing should be double spaced except that comments by the reporter should be single spaced. The page should have 25 lines of type. Type must be pica type or its equivalent with no more than 10 characters an inch.

(A) Witnesses Designated/Examination. Indicate at the top or bottom of each page the name of the witness and whether the examination is on direct, cross, re-direct, re-cross, or rebuttal.

(B) Jury In/Out. Indicate when the jury is present, when the jury leaves, and when the jury returns.

(C) Bench/Side Bar Conferences. Designate whether a bench/side bar conference is on or off the record.

(D) Chamber Conferences. If the conference is recorded, note the presence or absence of persons participating in chamber conferences.

(E) Speaker/Event Identification. Identify speakers and events that occur throughout the proceedings in capital letters centered on the appropriate line. For example: recess/court reconvene; direct examination, cross examination, re-direct examination, re-cross examination, plaintiff rests; defendant's evidence: direct examination, cross examination, re-direct examination, re-cross examination, defense rests; instructions, conference, closing arguments: for plaintiff, for defense, and rebuttal.

(2) Volume and Pages.

(A) Pages in each volume of the verbatim report of proceedings shall be numbered consecutively.

(B) Each volume shall include no more than 200 pages. The volumes shall be either bound or fastened securely.

(3) Copies. The verbatim report of proceedings should be legible, clean and reproducible.

#### References

Form 15, Statement of Arrangements; Title 6, Acceptance of Review.

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