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MR. JAMES BUCKHEIT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION 333 MARKET ST HARRISBURG, PA 17126-0333 jbuckheit@state.pa.us

## re: State Board of Education Amendments to 22 Pa. Code Chapter 14 CART provider qualifications

Dear Mr. Buckheit:

I am writing to support the request sent to you by Lisa V. Feissner, RDR, CRR, CRI, Chair of the Government Relations Committee of the Pennsylvania Court Reporters Association, asking that the State Board of Education adopt language requiring CART providers who deliver services to students under an IEP be certified as either a Certified CART Provider (CCP), Certified Realtime Reporter (CRR) or Certified Broadcast Captioner (CBC) as those certifications are awarded through the National Court Reporters Association.

Disabled students in Pennsylvania deserve the highest quality education, and that can be best achieved by assuring that those individuals who provide services in accordance with an IEP be appropriately qualified. Only these NCRA certifications can assure such qualifications.

Please make certification language for CART providers a requirement under 22 Pa. Code Chapter 14.

Sincerely,

Janet C. Fasy