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DO YOU KNOW WHO IS PROTECTING YOUR RECORD?

A NEW JERSEY CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER (NJCCR) OR A DIGITAL RECORDER (DR)?

New Jersey Certified Court Reporter:

- ✓ A NJCCR preparing your transcript is certified by the State of New Jersey after completing accredited schooling and passing a state-mandated examination.
- ✓ A NJCCR must retain licensure through yearly registration and continuing education requirements mandated by the State of New Jersey.
- ✓ A NJCCR must follow rules established by the NJ Board of Court Reporting regarding a CCR's impartiality and page format, and eliminates the requirement for a "read and sign" transcript.
- ✓ A NJCCR is able to provide you instantaneous readback, realtime and expedited transcripts.
- ✓ A NJCCR demonstrates proficiency in legal, medical and technical terminology, varying accents, multiple and overlapping speakers.

Digital Recorder (DR):

- **X** A DR has not completed an approved curriculum or achieved and maintained any licensure in the State of New Jersey.
- X A DR only records an audio file, which is outsourced either domestically or abroad to a transcriptionist not present at your proceeding, to prepare a "verbatim" transcript.
- X A DR cannot provide you instantaneous readback, realtime or immediate delivery. A transcriptionist may have difficulty deciphering varying accents, multiple/overlapping speakers resulting in a deficient transcript, is not present at your proceeding to clarify testimony, and has no required education in medical/technical testimony.
- **X** A DR will have access to your client's personal information with no state oversight authority to sanction for incompetence, fraud or other misconduct.
- **X** A DR is under no obligation to follow any rules regarding impartiality and page format, and all transcripts must be subject to a "read and sign."
- X Any agency promoting DR in New Jersey is not regulated in any way by the NJ State Board of Court Reporting and has been given no authority to suggest changes to your proceeding's notice.

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