The Queens County District Attorney’s Office (KCDA) is one of the largest prosecutors’ offices in the country and is committed to developing and implementing innovative prosecutorial strategies that will fulfill our vision of keeping Brooklyn safe while at the same time ensuring fairness and justice for all. KCDA has an exciting opportunity to work as a Stenographer in the Grand Jury Reporter Unit. Our stenographers play a pivotal role in the criminal justice process, while simultaneously engaging in compelling, meaningful public service.

The Grand Jury Reporters Bureau is responsible for taking stenographic notes of grand jury proceedings. Grand Jury Reporters are proficient in taking two voice dictations at the rate of 175 words per minute. These stenographic notes are later converted into a readable document known as “minutes” which are used to prepare for the trial.

Under general supervision, with latitude for independent action or decision, performs difficult and responsible stenographic activities on a stenotype machine; takes verbatim statements of witnesses, complainants, and defendants; takes verbatim testimony introduced before the grand jury; transcribes this material for use in court proceedings; appears in court to testify as to the accuracy of statements or testimony and of circumstances surrounding interrogations; maintains records and files of proceedings and stenographic notes in order to locate testimony and other records pertaining to specific cases; may supervise other personnel.

Responsibilities Include:
- Proficient in taking two-voice dictation at the rate of 175 words per minute and to transcribe the same.
- Must have full knowledge of the use of computerized stenograph writer and case catalyst software.
- Responsible for recording, transcribing, and certifying records of Grand Jury proceedings.
- Transcribe cases involving complex legal and medical terminology, interpreters, and expert witnesses.
- Testify at trial proceeding when called to read back Grand Jury witness testimony.
- Makes accurate entries on Dogsheets.
- Keeps notes and SD cards organized and accessible.

Additional Information
- Proficient in taking two voice dictations at the rate of 175 words per minute. In addition to base salary, grand jury reporters receive supplemental pay per page for transcribed stenographer notes. Luminex II Stenograph Writer and the most up-to-date Case Catalyst software provided.
- Employees of the City of New York may be eligible for federal loan forgiveness programs and state repayment assistance programs. The federal government provides student loan forgiveness through its Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF) to all qualifying public service employees. Please visit the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program site to view the eligibility requirements: https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/public-service
- Great benefits such as healthcare, holiday, vacation & sick days, NYC Pension Plan, 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, 401k Retirement Plan, Commuter Benefits Program, etc.

Preferred Skills
- Excellent time management.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Ability to multitask.
- Ability to work independently & in a team and consistently maintain a professional demeanor.

Residency Requirement
- New York City residency is generally required within 90 days of appointment. However, City Employees in certain titles who have worked for the City for 2 continuous years may also be eligible to reside in Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Westchester, Rockland, or Orange County. To determine if the residency requirement applies to you, please discuss with the agency representative at the time of interview.

To Apply
- We appreciate the interest and thank all applicants who apply, but only those candidates under consideration will be contacted.
- If you are interested in the position, please email HR@BrooklynDA.org with the subject title: Stenographer position, include your cover letter and an updated resume.

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