

Ever Heard of a Court Transcript Proofreader?

Summary: Who knew making an income from home was possible and easy? After getting started, you can work from home as a court transcript proofreader.

A court transcript proofreader is very much an entrepreneurial type job. Your success relies on the quality of work you produce and the loyal clients and referrals that yields. The job is one you can do mostly from home on your own time, so most court transcript proofreaders are just part-time, but it is possible to make it a full-time job.



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So what exactly happens for this job? The court reporter goes to a hearing, deposition, trial, etc. and writes the report with fancy software that then transcribes it to English. The final draft is sent to the court transcript proofreader by email to make any corrections before sending it back as a PDF. This means you can be proofreading from wherever you have an internet connection and an electronic device like the airport, couch, coffee shop, park, etc.

One court transcript proofreader suggests using an iPad because it allows for a fast, efficient method of getting the job done. She charges \$.40 per page and can read 100 pages an hour. When she is able to read 600 pages in one day then she is able to earn \$240 in one day. The pay rate changes when a job is a rush. She then charges \$.55 per page. She estimates that she is able to earn around \$43,000 gross income per year.

The process for becoming a court transcript proofreader is fairly simple. No formal training or education is required. One just has to have a good eye for detail and catching errors. Remember that the grammar won't be perfect, since it is transcribing a court conversation. Many working in the job may have a degree in communications, but it really doesn't matter since you are only proofreading for errors.

The best option is to find someone currently working in the field and convince them to mentor you.

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