VOLUME 48, ISSUE 24 ISSUE DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2016 RULE ADOPTIONS LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF COURT REPORTERS

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:43-4.4 and 6.1

Adopted Repeals: N.J.A.C. 13:43-4.5 and 4.6

Examination for Certification as a Certified Realtime Court Reporter; Frequency; Components; Process; Materials to be Furnished by Applicant; Grading; Grading of the Realtime Examination; Examination Review Process; Rescoring; Appeals

Proposed: March 7, 2016, at 48 N.J.R. 375(a).

Adopted: November 23, 2016, by the New Jersey State Board of Court Reporters, Marianne Cammarota, CCR, President.

Filed: November 23, 2016, as R.2016 d.186, **with a non-substantial change** not requiring additional public notice and comment (see N.J.A.C. 1:30-6.3).

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:15B-1 and 45:15B-3.

Effective Date: December 19, 2016.

Expiration Date: December 21, 2022.

Summary of Public Comment and Agency Response:

The official comment period ended May 6, 2016. The Board received one comment on the proposal. In order to ensure compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act and the rules promulgated by the Office of Administrative Law, the comment period was reopened and extended from September 29, 2016, to October 28, 2016. The Board received no additional comment during the extension.

1. One comment was received by Jean Public before May 6, 2016. It expressed support for allowing video recording in courtrooms. The commenter believes it will improve the accuracy in determining a person's demeanor and in reporting what is actually said by all people in the courtroom.

RESPONSE: The Board thanks the commenter for her remark, but notes that the issues raised by the comment are not germane to this rulemaking. Therefore, the Board will not consider it.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because the adopted amendments and repeals

are governed by N.J.S.A. 45:15B-4 and are not subject to any Federal requirements or standards.

Full text of the adopted amendments follows (addition to proposal indicated in boldface with asterisks ***thus***; deletion from proposal indicated in brackets with asterisks *****[thus]*):

13:43-4.4 Examination for certification as a certified realtime court reporter; frequency

(a) The examination for certification as a certified realtime court reporter shall be held at least once a year. The time and place of an examination shall be advertised by the Board at least 30 days prior to the date of such examination.

(b) The National Court Reporters Association Certified Realtime Reporter examination shall be the Board-approved examination for certification of realtime court reporters.

(c) The Board shall continue to accept successful completion of the Board-created examination to satisfy the examination requirement for certification as a realtime reporter; however the Board shall no longer [page=2824] offer this examination *[(]* after *[the effective date of these rules)]* ***December 19, 2016***.

13:43-4.5 (Reserved)

13:43-4.6 (Reserved)

SUBCHAPTER 6. FEES

13:43-6.1 Fee schedule

(a) The following fees shall be charged by the Board:

1. (No change.)

Recodify existing 3.-15. as 2.-14. (No change in text.)