



Three "Pajama Jobs" That Let You Work From Home

Baton Rouge School of Court Reporting, LLC (BRSCR), an online court reporting school, offers training programs for unique jobs you can do from home: Scoping, Broadcast Captioning, and Freelance Court Reporting.

Baton Rouge LA ([PRWEB](#)) May 23, 2011 -- With gasoline prices soaring, jobs that let people work from home are more popular than ever. Baton Rouge School of Court Reporting ([brscr.com](#)), an online court reporting school, suggests three interesting careers you can perform from home.

SCOPING: This little-known job is flexible, portable, and sometimes even fun, and it can be performed from home or anywhere.

The word "Scopist" isn't in the dictionary but should be. A Scopist works in the court reporting field, a behind-the-scenes assistant to court reporters producing written transcripts of depositions and trial proceedings. Instead of transcription done by a traditional typist as in the past, Scoping has made the leap into the new millennium of technology, using the same software innovations that court reporters use.

BRSCR school director Pamela Giardina explains: "Our online Scopist Training Program has been hugely popular. A scopist takes a court reporter's transcript and makes corrections and provides proofreading. A document that took many hours of typing and proofing years ago is performed by the scopist now in relatively short order."

A Scopist has little overhead expense -- just a home or laptop computer, editing software, and an Internet/email connection -- and the work can be performed anywhere, anytime. A scopist is self-employed and can work from home or on the road, and often for clients across the country or around the world. "We have one Scopist graduate who lives in Peru as a missionary, but he also scopes for clients in the U.S. to help support his family," says Giardina.

Scopists generally get paid on a page-rate basis that is negotiated with the court reporter client. A full-time scopist may make in the \$30,000 to \$40,000 range, but many use scoping as a secondary or part-time income, either to make ends meet or to provide fun for the kids or grandkids.

"Scoping is a great 'pajama job,'" says Giardina. "The training can be completed in six months or less, is reasonably priced, and the work is both satisfying and interesting." And since the training is online, no gasoline is needed for it either. Why not put on your bathrobe and fuzzy slippers right now and check out a career as a Scopist? More information on [Scopist Training](#).

BROADCAST CAPTIONING: If you've ever been trapped in a doctor's waiting room with the news droning endlessly on the overhead TV, you've probably been glad to see the sound turned off and the closed captions appear instead. If you've wondered how those captions get there, you might be surprised to learn that broadcast captioning can be performed from home.

Captioning can be either prerecorded or live, and captionists use the same skills and methods as court reporters, whether by steno machine or with speech recognition software. The captionist can "dial in" over a telephone line and Internet connection from home and caption the broadcast as it streams live on air. Great hourly pay, no



rush-hour commute, and just listening to and watching TV all day makes this an outstanding at-home job.. More information about [Captioning](#).

FREELANCE COURT REPORTING: While not precisely a stay-at-home job, freelance court reporting does have some of the perks associated with working from home. A freelance reporter may work from a home office, leaving to take depositions a few hours at a time, then returning home to transcribe or finalize transcripts produced by a scopist.

According to Giardina, a retired court reporter, having some flexibility built into a work life is a huge advantage over an 8-to-5 office job. "You can run errands coming and going from depositions, drop in a load of laundry while you're at home transcribing, and even schedule your work hours to fit your family's needs. I can't imagine raising a family without that kind of flexibility." With continued growth expected in this field and excellent income potential, court reporting is worthy of from-home work consideration too. More information about [Court Reporting](#).

Scoping, Captioning, and Freelance Court Reporting: Three versions of today's "pajama jobs" that are interesting and easy on your wallet at the gas pump. Just don't be surprised if you find yourself saying: "Honey, can you move off the couch? I've got to go to work!"

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