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BY MICHELE C.S. LANGE

For Aimee and Eric Goldberg, court reporting is in their blood. This husband and wife team head up Benchmark Reporting Agency, based in Minneapolis. Their partnership in business and life was almost destiny, coming from two families with deep ties in court reporting.

Aimee’s family started Southwest Reporters in 1947, which she eventually took over, changing the company’s name to move clearly reflect their national presence.

“I purchased my family’s business in the late 1990s, a few years before meeting Eric at a court reporting conference,” Aimee revealed.

Eric’s family owned a court reporting and legal video business on the East Coast. He too knew his career path would travel down the same road, ultimately moving to Minnesota after meeting Aimee.

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