



Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 23

PART II

GIVING OF EVIDENCE OR INFORMATION FOR PURPOSES OF CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

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PROTECTION OF WITNESSES FROM CROSS-EXAMINATION BY ACCUSED IN PERSON

General prohibitions

34 Complainants in proceedings for sexual offences.

No person charged with a sexual offence may in any criminal proceedings cross-examine in person a witness who is the complainant, either—

- (a) in connection with that offence, or
- (b) in connection with any other offence (of whatever nature) with which that person is charged in the proceedings.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 34 applied (with modifications) (6.12.2006) by [The Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 \(Application to Courts-Martial\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2886\)](#), art. 1(1), **Sch. 1** (with art. 3)
- C2** S. 34 applied (with modifications) (6.12.2006) by [The Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 \(Application to Standing Civilian Courts\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2888\)](#), art. 1(1), **Sch. 1** (with art. 3)
- C3** S. 34 applied (with modifications) (6.12.2006) by [The Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 \(Application to the Courts-Martial Appeal Court\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2887\)](#), art. 1(1), **Sch.** (with art. 3)

Status: Point in time view as at 06/12/2006. This version of this provision has been superseded.

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Commencement Information

- II** S. 34 wholly in force at 4.9.2000; Pt. II Chs. 1-4 (ss. 16-52) in force for certain purposes at Royal Assent, see s. 68(4); s. 34 in force at 4.9.2000 by [S.I. 2000/2091](#), **art. 2(a)**

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