
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 172

The Standing Civilian Courts Order 1997

PART IV

PROCEDURE AT THE HEARING

Presence of witnesses

59.—(1) Except for the accused and any expert or character witness, a witness as to fact shall not, except by leave of the court, be in court while not under examination.

(2) If while a witness is under examination a question arises as to the admissibility of a question or otherwise with regard to the evidence, the court may direct the witness to withdraw for the duration of the discussion.

(3) The court may direct any expert or character witness present in court to withdraw if the court considers in the interests of justice that his presence is undesirable.