#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1998 No. 3132

## The Civil Procedure Rules 1998

### PART 32

## **EVIDENCE**

### Requirement to serve witness statements for use at trial

- **32.4.**—(1) A witness statement is a written statement signed by a person which contains the evidence which that person would be allowed to give orally.
- (2) The court will order a party to serve on the other parties any witness statement of the oral evidence which the party serving the statement intends to rely on in relation to any issues of fact to be decided at the trial.
  - (3) The court may give directions as to—
    - (a) the order in which witness statements are to be served; and
    - (b) whether or not the witness statements are to be filed.