
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Family Procedure (Adoption) Rules 2005

PART 7

LITIGATION FRIEND, CHILDREN'S GUARDIAN, REPORTING
OFFICER AND CHILDREN AND FAMILY REPORTER

SECTION 1

LITIGATION FRIEND

Stage of proceedings at which a litigation friend becomes necessary

52.—(1) This rule does not apply where a non-subject child is conducting proceedings without a litigation friend in accordance with rule 51.

(2) A person may not without the permission of the court take any step in proceedings except—

(a) filing an application form; or

(b) applying for the appointment of a litigation friend under rule 55

until the non-subject child or patient has a litigation friend.

(3) If a party becomes a patient during proceedings, no party may take any step in proceedings without the permission of the court until the patient has a litigation friend.