STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 1554

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2013

PART 29

MEASURES TO ASSIST A WITNESS OR DEFENDANT TO GIVE EVIDENCE

SECTION 6: LIVE LINK DIRECTIONS

Content of application for a live link direction

29.24. An applicant for a live link direction must—

- (a) unless the court otherwise directs, identify the place from which the witness will give evidence;
- (b) if that place is in the United Kingdom, explain why it would be in the interests of the efficient or effective administration of justice for the witness to give evidence by live link;
- (c) if the applicant wants the witness to be accompanied by another person while giving evidence—

(i) name that person, if possible, and

- (ii) explain why it is appropriate for the witness to be accompanied;
- (d) ask for a hearing, if the applicant wants one, and explain why it is needed.

[Note. See section 32 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988(1) and section 51 of the Criminal Justice Act 2003(2).

The Practice Direction sets out a form of application for use in connection with this rule.]

 ¹⁹⁸⁸ c. 33; section 32 was amended by section 55 of the Criminal Justice Act 1991 (c. 53), section 29 of, and paragraph 16 of Schedule 2 to, the Criminal Appeal Act 1995 (c. 35), section 62 of the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 (c. 25), section 67 of, and Schedule 6 and paragraph 3 of Schedule 7 to, the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 (c. 23) and paragraphs 24 and 26 of the Schedule to S.I. 2004/2035.

⁽**2**) 2003 c. 44.